

## **Romans 6 Outline**

### **1A** The death to sin, vv.1-11:

- 1B** Question regarding behavior after grace, v.1: What therefore shall we say? Shall we persist in sin that grace might excel?
- 2B** The outrageous nature of license, 2: May it not be! How shall we who died to sin, still live in it?
- 3B** The necessary information: baptism into the death of Christ, 3: Or are you ignorant that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus, we were baptized into His death?
- 4B** The nature and purpose of our baptism, 4: Therefore we were buried together with Him through baptism into death; that just as Christ was raised from death through the glory of the Father, so also we ourselves might walk in newness of life.
- 5B** The dependence of our resurrection on the baptism into His death, 5: For if we have become one-nature with the likeness of His death, but also we will be [in the likeness] of the resurrection;
- 6B** The purpose repeated, and expanded, 6: knowing this, that our old man was co-crucified, that we might abolish the body of sin, for us to be no longer slaves to sin;
- 7B** Explanation of the death in Christ's death, 7: For the one who died has been acquitted from sin.
- 8B** The creed of positional truth, death and life, 8: But if we died together with Christ, we believe that also we will be made alive with Him,
- 9B** Foundation for freedom in the death of baptism, 9: knowing that Christ, having been raised from death no longer dies; death no longer rules over Him.
- 10B** The once for all nature of Christ's death, and the purpose of His eternal life, 10: For [the death] He died, He died to sin once for all; but the [life] He lives, He lives to God.
- 11B** Conclusion: the double-accounting, 11: So also while you account yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive, living to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### **2A** The presentation of one's bodily members, vv.12-20:

- 1B** The prohibition against the rulership of sin in the dying body, 12: Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, it (sin) in its lusts (mortal body);
- 2B** The prohibition against the presentation of bodily faculties to sin, 13a: And do not present your members as weapons of unrighteousness to sin;
- 3B** The command to present self and bodily faculties to God, 13b: but present yourself to God as one alive from death, and your members as weapons of the righteousness of God.
- 4B** The victory of the grace-oriented, 14: For sin will not rule over you; for you are not under law, but under grace.
- 5B** Question regarding behavior in grace, 15: What then? Shall we sin, because we are not under law, but under grace? May it not be!

- 6B** The principle of slavery, and the choice before every Christian, 16: Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves as slaves for obedience, that you are slaves to whom you obey, whether of sin unto death, or obedience unto righteousness?
- 7B** The choice of the readers to stay in truth, 17: But grace to God, that you were slaves of sin, but obey from the heart to what type of teaching you were delivered;
- 8B** The new slavery, 18: now after being set free from sin, you were enslaved to righteousness.
- 9B** The accommodation and the reason, 19a: I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh;
- 10B** The call to the new presentation, 19b: For just as you presented your members as slaves to uncleanness and to lawlessness unto lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness unto sanctification.
- 11B** Explanation of the former state, 20: For when you were slaves of sin, you were free with reference to righteousness.
- 3A** Two illustrations of ultimate outcomes, vv.21-23:
  - 1B** The illustration of fruit, vv.21-22:
    - 1C** The fruit of sin is death, 21: Therefore what fruit were you having then in the things you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death.
    - 2C** The fruit of righteousness is eternal life, 22: But now being set free from sin, and enslaved to God, you have your fruit to sanctification, and the end is eternal life.
  - 2B** The illustration of wages, 23: For the wages of sin are death, but the free gift of God is life eternal in Christ Jesus.