

## **Romans 6:1-10**

*What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup> By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup> Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup> We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. <sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup> We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup> For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup> Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. <sup>9</sup> We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup> For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God.*

### **Justification and Baptism**

#### **I. An Objection/Question (v. 1)**

*What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound?*

##### **A. What Paul said at the end of Ch. 5**

*Romans 5:20-21 Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, <sup>21</sup> so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

##### **B. An earnest question?**

##### **C. Its source**

#### **II. Paul's Response**

##### **A. An implication of justification (v. 2)**

*By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it?*

1. What does it mean to die to sin?
2. Justification and salvation

##### **B. The significance of baptism**

1. To be justified is to be baptized into Christ (v. 3)

*Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?*

- a. Why does Paul go from justification to baptism?
- b. What kind of baptism is he talking about?

2. The effect of baptism: union with Christ (vv. 4-5)

*We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. <sup>5</sup> For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.*

- a. To be baptized is to be united with Christ in His death
- b. To be united with Christ in His death is to be united with Him in His resurrection
- c. To be united with Christ in His resurrection is to walk in newness of life
- d. We are united with the whole Christ (v. 5)

*For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.*

3. Baptism and our old self

- a. The death of our old self and body of sin
- b. Our resulting relationship to sin (vv. 6-7)

*We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup> For one who has died has been set free from sin.*

4. Reaffirmation of what it means to be united with the whole Christ (v. 8)

*Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.*

- a. Our assurance from it (v. 9)

*We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.*

- b. Christ as the foundation (v. 10)

*For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God.*