

Virtual Communities - Life Group Guide

Romans 6:11-14

Living for God

Read

Read Romans 6:1-14

Background

- Let's review the big picture we've studied in Romans up to this point:
- Main Points:
 - Rom 1:18 - Rom 3:20, what was Paul's main point?
 - Rom 3:21 - Rom 5:21 what was Paul's main point?
 - Romans 6:1-11 - what is Paul's main point?
 - Romans 11-14 - what is Paul's main point?
 - "Become what you are in the process of becoming"

Discuss

Language of a battle

- The question is: who shall reign?
- Sin is the challenger
- Mortal body is the castle
- Members are the servants of the Kingdom
- Loyalty to sin is demanded - service to God is yielded

Four present tense imperatives:

- "Become what you are in the process of becoming"
 - What do you think this means?
 - What doesn't it mean?
 - In terms of salvation: what's the difference between "position" and "process"
 - Sanctification in the OT simply means to "make shine"
 - What does God use to "make us shine:?"
1. Count yourself dead by alive v 11
 - a. "Consider" is the keyword. It means to realise that "Adam" in us is dead and out of a job
 - b. How do we "consider"? Gospel truths preached to ourselves
 2. Do not let sin reign v12
 - a. Mortal body = body of sin (v6) - whole attitude to sin expressed by desires, will, emotion, thought.
 3. Do not offer in part v13
 - a. Military language - "members" are "weapons".

Weekly Questions For One Another

- What is God saying to you in His Word, in the sermon, or in your walk with Him this week?
- Is there **one** challenge that you sense the Lord giving you at the moment?
- How can we as a group be part of giving you courage today?
- Is there **one** thing you would like prayer for?
- Is there **one** community issue that you know needs prayer?

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- i. What does Paul mean by instruments/weapons? How is it possible to present them for unrighteousness?
 - b. Ephesians 6:12 - what are the weapons that we use against sin's attempt to rule over us?
- 4. Yield to God v 13
 - a. Present yourself - what does that look like each day?
 - b. Offer members to God's Kingdom - the key calling for every believer is to make God known.

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