“PRESENT YOURSELVES TO GOD”

Romans 6:1–23

Key Verse: 6:13

1. What misunderstanding does Paul mention, and why would anyone think this? (1; 5:20) How does he answer? (2) What do we all need to know about the meaning and purpose of our Christian baptism? (3,4)
2. What else does Paul say about our baptism, and how does this help us stop sinning? (5) How does he explain further how it is possible to “die to sin”? (6,7) What do we believe and know? (8–10) What is Paul’s conclusion here, and what does he mean? (11)
3. How should we apply our faith in Christ practically? (12) Read verse 13. What do the words “members” and “instruments” mean? How does this verse help us see the positive aspect of our struggle? What does it mean to “present yourselves to God”? (see also 12:1; Dt6:5) In what ways can we do this practically? What else does Paul add? (14)
4. What does Paul repeat, and why? (15) How does he further illustrate what he means? (16) How is a slave of righteousness different from a slave of sin, and how does this show what it really means to be “set free”? (17,18)
5. Why was Paul speaking like this? (19a) What else does he repeat? (19b; compare verse 13) What does he mean by “impurity” and more and more “lawlessness”? What can we learn here about sanctification?
6. How else does Paul appeal to us to practice what he has been teaching? (20–22) How does he conclude, and why? (23)