



### **Romans 6:6-12**

# Recounting What You Already Have

Vs. 11, "You must consider..."

# Recounting Who You Already Are

Vs. 11, "You must consider yourself..."

# Recounting What You'll Soon Be

Vs. 12, "...<u>mortal</u> body..."

#### Romans 6:6-12

### **Discussion Questions**

Getting Started - What are things you must keep recounting otherwise you'll forget the number.

**The Big Idea** – After six chapters of being told what God has done to deal with our sin, verse 11 finally gives us our first practical thing to do in our daily fight against it: *recount and rehearse what God has already done to deal with our sin!* 

#### Digging Deeper (Read Romans 6:6-12)

In verse 11 you are told to "consider yourself dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus." The word for "consider" is an accounting term. Discuss how this term has been used in the book of Romans so far (e.g.,4:1-8, 23-25). What might this word mean in verse 11?

Discuss what these true statements mean and where you see them in verses 1-12:

- "Considering" myself "dead to sin" doesn't mean believing or pretending sin is not active and on the inside of us.
- I don't become "dead to sin" when I "consider" myself dead to sin or when I am having victory over sin in my life. As a Christian, I am dead to sin regardless.
- When I became a Christian, I "died to sin." This does not mean the immediate extinction of sin in my life, but a definite and irreversible separation of it from the center of who I am.

The first practical thing we are told to do with our sin is to keep on recounting/rehearsing/reconsidering what is true of us (i.e., we are already dead to sin). Why do you think this is our first step?

Verse 11 says to account "yourself" dead to sin. In other words, account what makes *YOU* "dead to sin"; and where sin is active, verse 12 says attribute that to your mortal body instead of you (cf. 7:21-25; 8:10&11,13,23). Answer these questions:

- The "body" includes our fallen psychological/emotional states. Where do you see that in verse 12? Give some different examples of these states.
- People in our culture often equate their sinful passions & fallen psychological experiences with their fundamental identity. Give some examples. How would you address this mistake?
- How does Paul's words in 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 address Christians when they make the above mistake with themselves and other Christians?

Our bodies are "mortal" right now. What does that mean? What's the ultimate destiny of our bodies? Share some verses.

Discuss what the following three phases of our salvation mean for us and how understanding this helps you with your struggle with your sin:

Past - We were saved from Sin's Penalty & Power

Present - We are being saved from Sin's Pollution

Future - We will be saved from Sin's Presence

#### Resources

Romans: *Righteousness from Heaven* | R. Kent Hughes. www.blueletterbible.org

www.preceptaustin.org