July 8/9, 2017 Romans 7:1-6

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

- 1) A person justified by faith through the grace of Jesus is secure (Romans 5), holy (Romans 6), fruitful, and serving (Romans 7).
- 2) 7:1 Any law—whether Roman, Greek, or God-given—is only binding on the living.
- 3) 7:3-4 Romans is not teaching about biblical divorce here. To understand that issue biblically requires study of other passages: Matthew 5:31–32; 19:3–12; and 1 Corinthians 7:10–15.
- 4) 7:4 As a woman whose husband has died is free to marry again, so also believers, since they have "died to the law," are free to belong to Jesus.
- 5) 7:4 The Law can only condemn; it has no power to redeem.
- 6) 7:4 Paul, through Romans, declares that faith in Jesus means freedom from the Law's penalty.
- 7) 7:4 The underlying emphasis of the book of Romans is that salvation produces total transformation.
- 8) 7:4 The one in whom we died becomes the very one in whom we find our new life
- 9) 7:4 It stands to reason that a complete change of relationship results in a transformed life.
- 10) 7:4 The fruit of the Holy Spirit is manifested internally in attitudes (Galatians 5:22–23). The fruit of the Holy Spirit is manifested externally in actions (Hebrews 13:15; Philippians 1:11).
- 11) 7:6 Believers have been released from their old bondage; therefore, a redeemed person is able to and will do what is right.
- 12) 7:6 God releases us from our bondage to sin so that we will serve Him.

GREEK WORDS

Douleuō (dool-yoo'-o)—serve; a derivative of Doulos; to be a slave:- be in bondage, (do) serve (-ice)

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