

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

- 1) 6:1 Scripture makes it plain, from Genesis to Revelation, that a relationship with God is linked to holiness, and a holy life is only accomplished by the power of God working in the life of a believer.
- 2) 6:1 God sees believers as holy already because of the work of Jesus.
Can you achieve a greater standing before God than what Jesus has already given you? Never!
Can you become “more holy” in your actions? Yes! (sanctification)
- 3) 6:1 No believer will be sinless until they are with the Lord in heaven, but a believer who persistently disregards Jesus’ standards of righteousness by willful disobedience has reason to question their salvation.
- 4) 6:2 Can a follower of Jesus live in the same relationship to sin they had before salvation? Can a person receive new life and continue in the former way? God’s Word says, emphatically, NO!
- 5) 6:2 Paul speaks not of the freedom from sinning, but of freedom from the power of sin.
- 6) 6:2 Becoming a follower of Jesus is a decisive step; the beginning of faith means the end of sin’s rule.
- 7) 6:2 Death, by its very definition, means a person does not continually die. Death is permanent.
- 8) 6:2 Acceptance of sin is incompatible with a Christ-follower (Galatians 5:24; 1 John 3:9).
- 9) 6:2 A genuinely justified life will move towards a sanctified life.

Christ’s death *for* sin becomes our death *to* sin.

GREEK WORDS

6:1 Epimenō (ep-ee-men'-o)—to stay over, remain :- abide (in), continue (in), tarry

TODAY’S SONGS

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