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**New Life**  
**Romans 6:1-11**  
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## Using This Study

### ❶ EXAMINE His Word

What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

### ❷ EXPLORE His Word

What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

### ❸ EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.



This week is our baptism celebration. We will join as a body of believers and celebrate together this commitment to Christ our Savior. Baptism in itself is not what saves you, it is the representation of what we believe in our hearts. We will look at the passage in Romans 6 that describes the new life we find in Christ that is represented by baptism. Christ's death and resurrection is seen in the act of baptism. We are buried with Him and arise out of the water signifying new life in Christ. We die to our old sins of this world and we commit to a new life in Christ that is not limited to our time in this world. Join us this week as we seek to embrace and celebrate the new life we have in our Savior Jesus Christ.

## Baptisms - Romans 6:3-4

Or don't you know that all of us who were baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

## Romans 6:1-11 (NASB)

### Believers Are Dead to Sin, Alive to God

**6** What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin so that grace may increase? <sup>2</sup>May it never be! How shall we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? <sup>4</sup>Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. <sup>5</sup>For if we have become united with *Him* in the likeness of

His death, certainly we shall also be *in the likeness* of His resurrection, <sup>6</sup> knowing this, that our old self was crucified with *Him*, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; <sup>7</sup> for he who has died is freed from sin.

<sup>8</sup> Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, <sup>9</sup> knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, is never to die again; death no longer is master over Him. <sup>10</sup> For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. <sup>11</sup> Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**o EXAMINE His Word (Observation)** (For personal preparation)

**What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details and terms emphasized in the foregoing passage.**

1. Who is involved in the text? Author, audience, main characters.
2. Where and when is this taking place? Geography and timeline.
3. What actions are carried out or commanded? Look for the verbs.
4. Is there anything repeated?
5. What is emphasized?
6. Is there anything in these passages that is related to other areas of scripture?
7. Are there things to be noted that are alike or unlike such as similes and metaphors?

**2 EXPLORE His Word (Interpretation)** (For Community Group discussion)  
**What does God MEAN?**

8. Will grace increase as sin increases? You may want to consider Chapter 5 also.

9. What does it mean that we are dead to sin?

10. In what sense are we buried with Christ?

11. What gives us newness of life?

12. How does baptism represent the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ?

13. What does it mean to live for God?

**③ EMBRACE His Word (Application)** (For Community Group discussion)  
Why does this MATTER to me?

14. If we have been forgiven why do we have to be concerned about not sinning? How can we explain this to those that don't follow Christ?

15. Do you think baptism is mandatory for all believers? In what way?

16. How does our new life manifest itself to the people around us?

Summarize your thoughts on the passage

**Write about what God wants you to KNOW, to FEEL, and to DO...**

*Sermon Notes*