

D6 EveryDay™ Parent Page

Date | **March 6, 2022** Family Theme | **Set Free From Sin**
Study Text | **Romans 6:1-23**

Objective: Learners consider themselves dead to sin and alive to know and serve God. They act accordingly.

How This Lesson Fits in the Story of the Bible: The apostle Paul wrote this letter to the Christians in Rome about AD 57. He likely wrote while in Corinth on his third missionary journey to spread the gospel.

Bible Basics: Go over the following question and answer each day this week and work with family members to do so as well. **What does baptism symbolize? Answer:** Baptism symbolizes the union the believer enjoys in Jesus' death and resurrection (Romans 6:1-4). It also symbolizes having our sins washed away (Acts 22:16).

Read the Word: Romans 6:1-23

Disciple Your Kids

Talk with your children or grandchildren about how believers are united with Christ and are dead to sin. Encourage them to think and act as if they are dead to sin and alive to follow God.



Key Truth: Believers Are Dead to Sin and Alive to God (Romans 6:1-11)

We speak often of the *death, burial, and resurrection* of Jesus. Believers are united with Jesus in faith and know a spiritual parallel in their own lives. Through union with Christ, they are *dead* to sin, *buried* by baptism, and most importantly *raised* to a new way of living. It is as though our old sinful self died on the cross so we could escape sin's reign. Sin has no more claim — not on Christ and not on us. We may feel its pull and do battle with it, but it has no legitimate claim on us now that we are united with Christ. We must consider ourselves to be dead to sin and alive to God. Our union with Christ means we have died to the power of sin and can now live to please God.



Key Truth: Believers Are to Present Themselves to God as Instruments of Righteousness (Romans 6:12-14)

Salvation affects every part of our existence and most definitely includes what we do in this physical world. We must not allow our bodies to become tools of unrighteousness. Instead, we are to use our bodies as tools God can use for righteousness. Surrendering to God is something we must do daily, just as we eat and sleep. Now that we are free from the power of sin, we can choose each day to follow God's will and direction for our lives.



Key Truth: Believers Are Free to Serve God Rather Than Sin (Romans 6:15-23)

We once were slaves of sin and Satan, but salvation through faith in Jesus Christ freed us from that former life and set us free to live a new one as God's servants. Just as we once gave ourselves over to impurity and rebellion against God's Law, we now can present ourselves as slaves of righteousness.

Discussion Starters

Use one or more of the following questions as discussion starters with family members this week. Questions in **bold** will be good to use with elementary age children.

- What does it mean to consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God?
- How might considering ourselves dead to sin help us stand against temptation?
- How might considering ourselves alive to God help us choose His will in our lives?
- What does it look like to surrender ourselves to God each day to be used for His glory?
- What does it mean to present ourselves and our bodies to God as instruments of righteousness? How can we do that this week?
- **What does it mean to say that believers have been set free from sin?**
- **What is grace?**
- **How does God's grace give you a new life?**

Everyday Extras

Write a story together with your children about what might happen if your pet was the boss of the family. (If you don't have a pet, you could imagine one.) What would your pet want everyone to do all day? What would meals or bedtime or baths be like? Would the pet be a good boss or a bad boss? Sin was a bad boss, forcing us to make bad choices and leaving us with bad consequences. When we believe in Jesus Christ, we are freed from our slavery to sin. Jesus paid the price and set us free. Jesus set us free to be able to say no to sin and choose to live for Him.

Preschool Highlights for SQUARE 1 & ROUND 2

Today your child learned Paul wrote to the Christians in Rome to remind them to choose to obey God and live their lives in ways that honored Him. Paul's letter is for us too. We are to obey God and live our lives in ways that honor Him. Your child also heard a Webster family story about a time when Jamie Webster made the right choice to obedient. **I Can Obey God.**