

# LIVING FREE

Romans 6:11–23

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- To live free we must THINK of ourselves as dead to sin and alive to God. *Romans 6:11*
  
- To live free we must present our BODY parts not to sin but to God as INSTRUMENTS of righteousness. *Romans 6:12–14*
  
- To live free means embracing SLAVERY to God—and slavery means OBEDIENCE. *Romans 6:15–18*
  
- To live free yields the fruit of PROGRESSING in holiness, culminating in eternal life. *Romans 6:19–23*



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## FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. What benefits do you receive as a result of the Allies winning World War II? How is this a picture of the gospel of Jesus?
2. Read Romans 6:11. What does it look like in daily life to “consider” yourself dead to sin and alive to God? What are some ways you can remind yourself of who you are in Christ?
3. Read Romans 6:12-14. How is Paul’s emphasis on *bodily* obedience countercultural?
4. What does it look like to submit various body parts to the Lord as instruments of righteousness (see Prov 6:16-19; James 3:5-6; Ps 141:3; Eph 4:29; Isa 50:4; Prov 30:17; Prov 21:4; Job 31:1; Ps 119:37; Phil 4:8; Ps 1:1-3; Prov 21:25-26; Eph 4:28; 1 Cor 9:27; 1 John 2:16; Rom 10:14-15; )
5. Read Romans 6:15-18. Does being a Christian mean that we are slaves of God? Compare slavery to sin versus slavery to God. How is slavery to God the only way to true freedom?
6. Read Romans 6:19-23. How does it impact you to know that your character as a Christian is formed by little decisions over time? How does the fruit of these two slaveries compare?
7. From this message, what is your main takeaway about how you can live in the freedom Jesus has won for you?

### MEMORY VERSES: ROMANS 1:16-17

<sup>16</sup> For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. <sup>17</sup> For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.”

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