

## Translating the Gospel to Our Lives Session 2: Freedom from Sin

*17 For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.  
Romans 5:17 (NIV)*

### **Romans 6:1-14 (ESV)**

#### **Died with Christ, Raised with Christ (Romans 6:1-5)**

*6:1 What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. 5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.*

**Romans 5:1** 1 "...since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." (ESV)

#### **1. Died with Christ: Freed from Sin (Romans 6:6-7)**

*6 We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. 7 For one who has died has been set free from sin.*

## 2. Raised with Christ: Alive to God (Romans 6:8-11)

*8 “Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. 11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.”*

### Living Freed from Sin (Romans 6:12-14)

*12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. 13 Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. 14 For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.*

**Galatians 5:1** *1 It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. (NIV)*

### Questions for Personal Reflection:

- **Think about your “old self” and list or describe that person. Go through this list and recognize that God has freed you from the control of each one.**
- **Looking at the list you just made, which sins do you struggle most to live free of? What are the sins that you tend to return to and why?**
- **Using one or two of these examples in your own life, in those areas how can you offer yourself to God instead, to be used for righteousness?**