



SERMON OUTLINE

Sunday Nov 12th, 2017

ROMANS: Changed Heart, Changed Life

Romans 6:1-14

- Leveraging Grace??

Romans 6:1-2

- Shaped By Symbols

Romans 6:3-4



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- All Things Are Possible
Romans 6:5-7

A. Freedom! (Romans 6:6-8)

B. Living Between the Times

The _____

Our _____

The Critical _____ (Romans 6:11)

Choosing Your Attitude and Perspective



- Living Like You Believe

Romans 6:12-14

A. Know Your _____(Romans 6:12)

B. Stepping _____(Romans 6:13a)

C. Stepping _____(Romans 6:13b)

V. Living in Freedom (Romans 6:14)

Answers: Past, Future, Mindset, Enemy, Away, Into



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LIFE GROUP STUDY GUIDE

We connect in Life Groups to:

- Connect with God and each other
- Connect the Bible to life
- Connect with the community through serving together

Welcome/Mingle/Eat

Leaders: See Agenda Helps document.

Ice Breaker In thinking about the past 7 days, aside from sleep and work (stay-at-home parenting counts as “work”), what stands out as a worthwhile investment of your time and energy? What made it worthwhile?

Prayer Tithe Give your time to God. Before your sermon discussion, pray together.

This Week “Changed Heart, Changed Life” Rom. 6:1-14

1. Looking back at your notes from this week’s teaching, was there anything that you heard for the first time, caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

This week we read about the dilemma we can all fall into – “To sin or not to sin.” The Bible gives us a number of reasons why our new lifestyle of “no longer following my own way” is the best life for us.



2. What motivations do the following verses give to not make God's grace "cheap" but to follow him as he calls us? Ps. 119:1-2; Phil. 1:6; Heb. 12:7; 2 Cor. 5:10.

3. At Cold Springs we say that, "Jesus followers - *follow* Jesus!" What challenges have or do you face as a Jesus follower?

Verse 9 tells us that Jesus conquered death (the product of sin). He represents the immortal life that awaits all who have faith in him. Paul makes the point that we are to live in this tension of eternity and today... a type of *in-between*. We are to see ourselves as, "dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus" (v.11).



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4. How do Romans 12:1-3 and Galatians 2:19-20 encourage us to follow Jesus?

Following Jesus is a choice of *who* we identify with. Choosing *life* means finding our identity in Jesus. We align our heart with his. Matthew 6:21 tells us that, where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Notice the action of *treasuring* precedes the heart's longing for. You love what you most live for... it is an act of volition.

5. Write down the top six areas in your life that require your energy, time and resources.

6. Now write the top six areas in your life that you consider essential to all you value and hold dear.

7. How do these two groups align together? How do they not?

8. How does God's grace show up in your areas of struggle? (Rom. 6:14; 1 Cor. 1:18; Gal. 2:21).

TAKING IT HOME

9. Looking back over this week's sermon and study guide, what's the most important thing for you to remember and put into action?



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