"If Dead, How Can You Live? If You Live, How Can You Be Dead?"

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Romans 6:6-7

Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with *him*, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.

⁷ For he that is dead is freed from sin.

Mark 7:13

Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

Ephesians 1:3

Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly *places* in Christ:

Hosea 4:6

My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

Romans 8:3

For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

Colossians 3:9

Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

Galatians 5:24

And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

Romans 6:9

Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.

Romans 6:11

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

II. How to Live

Romans 6:8

Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:

Romans 8:1

There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

Romans 13:12

The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.

III. How to Die Only Once

Romans 6:9-10

Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. ¹⁰ For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Galatians 5:24

And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.