

Dead to Sin but Alive to God **Romans 6:4-11**

6:2,3 = You died to sin with Christ; it's a fact you should know.
6:4ff. = How your death to sin with Christ leads to a new life.

THE RESULTS OF OUR UNION WITH CHRIST IN DEATH:

We have a new/resurrection life. 4-5

Eternal life starts now! Jn. 5:24, 10:10, I Cor. 15:45, Col. 3:3

We have freedom from enslavement to sin. 6-7

- ◆ Our old self died with Him thus giving freedom, Col. 2:20, 3:9, 10, Gal. 2:20, 1 Pt. 2:24 (*body of sin* = sum of our many sins)
- ◆ Sin is personified as a master throughout ch. 6. See Gen.4:7, Jn. 8:32-34. Why is the personification of sin so appropriate?

We have eternal life with Christ, who will never die. 8-10

Death is also personified as a master, 5:14,17, 6:9, I Cor. 15:15:26,55. Its temporary reign over Jesus is over. He will not die again, and our death with Him leads to life forever w/Him.

We must count ourselves as dead to sin but alive to God. 11

- ◆ *Consider* = *credit/count* in 4:3,5,6,8. Just as God counts me righteous so I must count myself dead to sin and alive to God. This isn't mind games but . . .
- ◆ *Consider* is a present imperative—we must continually do it! Col. 3:5-8. Checkin' your reckon will . . .

