

(Part 3 of What kind of Slave are you?) Romans 6 and 7

- I. Realize how much God hates sin (His grace is not cheap) ✓
- II. Realize how destructive sin is in your life and who you serve when you live in sin ✓
- III. Realize you must completely die to sin and your old life ✓

Steps IV and V are not for you if you have not been born again and you are still dead in your sins!

IV. How can you keep the old man in the grave and break the bondage of the past?

1. Ask God to put your old life to _____! Sound to radical? Well do you want to get rid of that old dead man or not? If there is sin that you have not confessed to God repented of and asked forgiveness for then do something! Don't make excuses or procrastinate, blame someone else etc. You should even ask God to point out sins that you were not even aware of. Then confess it, repent, and accept his forgiveness. 1 John 1:8-10 Psalm 139:23-24
2. _____ your old life dead! Part of the concept of "repenting" means "change your mind". So you need to actually speak to God and declare to Him that your old life is "dead" and you now have a new life in Jesus. Tell it to God, yourself, and the world! Proverbs 18:21
3. Even if it is painful never _____ where you have come from and what it was like when you were dead. **!!! don't misunderstand; it does not mean to constantly beat yourself up and wallow in your guilt. It certainly does not mean you remember the specifics about your passed sins over and over not accept Christ's forgiveness. It means do not become complacent or proud and think you could never fall back into your old sinful life style! 1 Cor 6:9-11**
4. Have an _____ partner! "Iron sharpens iron"! You need another believer who you can trust to tell you straight when you are falling back into your old sin nature. 2Cor 6:14-16
5. _____ God that your old life is dead and you now have a new life! Being thankful is a great start to being a healthy well adjusted Christian.

V. Keep the new man alive and healthy and create a new legacy of life in Christ

1. Ask God to create an _____ new life for you! God does do supernatural things in our lives. 2Cor5:17 4:16-18
2. _____ and Praise God for your new life! Actually step 2 of V. is almost the same as step 5 of IV and 2 of IV. If you are a positive thankful Christian you are much more likely to focus on the new exciting life God has for you.
3. _____ constantly!
4. Create a _____ symbol of your new life in Christ. Remember there was a real time and place when you gave your life over to God and he made you a new person.
5. _____ the instruction book for your new life ;like your life depended upon it!..... because it does! Psalm 119:9-11
6. Have a specific _____ and _____ for your new Christian life. It is not just a religious compartment in your life. Your deepest most intimate personal plans, family plans, finances, career, hobbies everything should be planned in light of your new life in Christ. Everything else is second place.
7. Have an accountability partner and church that will _____ to excel in your new life. Someone and someplace that strives to accomplish great things for God and encourages you to do the same!

Answers: death, declare, forget, accountability, Thank, exciting, Thank God, pray, tangible, study, inspire you mission, goals