

# **MSG: SINCE FREEDOM**

## **SCRIPTURE: ROMANS 6:14 ESV**

### **SZN 2: REVIVAL THROUGH REASON**

**Romans 6:14 ESV**

**"For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace."**

Nelson Mandela in his book the Long Walk to Freedom he profoundly stated:

**"I have walked that long road to freedom. I have tried not to falter; I have made missteps along the way. But I have discovered the secret that after climbing a great hill, one only finds that there are many more hills to climb."**

**-Mandela**

So what do we do SINCE FREEDOM...

#### **1. SINCE FREEDOM, WE DIED TO SIN, SO WHY WOULD WE LIVE IN SIN?**

**Romans 5:20-21 ESV**

**"Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."**

#### **LIVING IN HABITUAL SIN ISN'T LIVING AT ALL**

**Romans 6:1-2 ESV**

**"What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it?"**

SHOULD WE CONTINUE IN HABITUAL SIN SO WE CAN HAVE MORE GRACE...NO!!

#### **LIVING IMMERSSED IN JESUS CHRIST**

**Romans 6:3 ESV**

**"Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?"**

IN BAPTISM WE DIED TO SIN

(immersed, was originally not a religious word)

-We've been buried with Christ

-WE HAVE BEEN IMMERSSED INTO CHRIST,

-We've been brought back to life with Christ

Believers have a death and resurrection with Jesus!

#### **LIVING IN SPIRITUAL UNION WITH JESUS**

-The Spiritual reality is a real reality!

-Baptism Demonstrated that

## **2. SINCE FREEDOM, WE DIED WITH JESUS, SO WE CAN LIVE WITH JESUS.**

**Romans 6:5 ESV**

**“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.”**

-Yes you’ve been crucified, but the resurrected life

### **THE DEATH OF OUR OLD SELF FREED US FROM SLAVERY**

**Romans 6:6 ESV**

**“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.”**

-Sinful nature (Adamic Nature)

-Our old man was crucified with Christ.

### **THE DEATH OF JESUS SAVED US**

**Romans 6:7 ESV**

**“For one who has died has been set free from sin.”**

-The old man is crucified...Jesus did it when we were saved

### **THE LIFE OF OUR NEW SELF IS PATTERNED AFTER CHRIST**

**Romans 6:8 ESV**

**“Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.”**

-So now our new self is alive and our old self is Dead!

**“There is no easy walk to freedom anywhere, and many of us will have to pass through the valley of the shadow of death again and again before we reach the top.”**

-Mandela

## **3. SINCE FREEDOM, WE’RE FREE FROM SIN, SO WE LIVE FOR GOD**

**Romans 6:9-10 ESV**

**“We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God.”**

### **FREEDOM LOOKS LIKE WE ACCOUNT THE OLD MAN AS DEAD!**

THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE BELIEVER AND SIN HAS CHANGED

### **FREEDOM LOOKS LIKE THE POWER OF HABITUAL SIN BROKEN**

### **Romans 6:11-13 ESV**

**“So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions.**

-Dominion of habitual sin!

-for the believer who is born again, The power of sin is broken!

-Don't let sin reign, live righteously

-Walk in Freedom

### **FREEDOM LOOKS LIKE USING OUR BODIES FOR HIS GLORY**

### **Romans 6:13 NLT**

**“Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. So use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God.”**

### **Romans 6:14 ESV**

**“For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.”**

**“For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others.”**

**-Mandela**

### **LIVING IN THE NEW WAY**

### **Proverbs 4:14-19 ESV**

**“Do not enter the path of the wicked, and do not walk in the way of the evil. Avoid it; do not go on it; turn away from it and pass on. For they cannot sleep unless they have done wrong; they are robbed of sleep unless they have made someone stumble. For they eat the bread of wickedness and drink the wine of violence. But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day. The way of the wicked is like deep darkness; they do not know over what they stumble.”**

“We know that our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ so that sin might lose its power in our lives. We are no longer slaves to sin. Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. So use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God. Sin is no longer your master, for you no longer live under the requirements of the law. Instead, you live under the freedom of God's grace.

Well then, since God's grace has set us free from the law, does that mean we can go on sinning? Of course not! Don't you realize that you become the slave of whatever you choose to obey? You can be a slave to sin, which leads to death, or you can choose to obey God, which leads to righteous living.”

Romans 6:6, 13-16 NLT

<https://bible.com/bible/116/rom.6.6-16.NLT>