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Left hanging...

If God's grace will always overcome sin does this mean we should sin heaps and simply ask God to forgive us?

Grace misunderstood

The moralist, "teaching people that they are saved by grace will lead to a slack attitude towards morality"

The liberated, "we are saved by GRACE apart from works we are not bound by the law, it does not matter what we do".

The ordinary Christian, "it is not such a bad thing if I do it... I will just ask God to forgive me any way".

Which way do you have a tendency to think?

Romans 6 - corrects the wrong thinking

Romans 6:1, "Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase?"

... "you must be joking"

1) We died to sin

Verse 2, "we died to sin how can we live in it any longer?"

... not sinless perfectionism

2) To live a new life to serve God

We have been saved so we can live a new life.

How this applied to us?

Firstly – We must not let sin reign! - verse 12

Examples

- Greed
- Sexual sin

Secondly – We desire to serve

Romans 6:13 "do not offer the parts of your body to sin, as instruments of wickedness, but rather offer yourself to God, as those who have been bought from death to life, and offer the parts of your body to him as instruments of righteousness"

... as "those who have been bought from death to life"

Offering yourself to God

What does it mean to offer our mind to God's service? Your creativity to God's service?

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What does it mean to offer our feet to God's service?

What does it mean to offer our eyes to God's service?

What does it mean to offer our sense of fashion to God's service?

What does it mean to offer our hands to God's service?

What does it mean to offer our capacity to love others to God's service?

What does it mean to offer our sexuality to God's service?

What does it mean to offer our wealth to God's service?

What does it mean to offer our time to God's service?

What does it mean to offer each and every part of your life to God's service?

Misunderstandings from this passage

1) We are not saved by Baptism

2) Dead to sin does not mean no temptation to sin