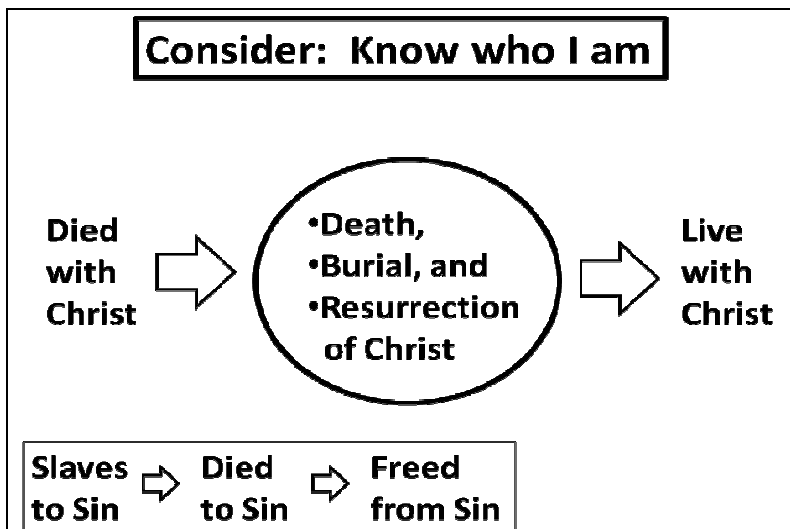
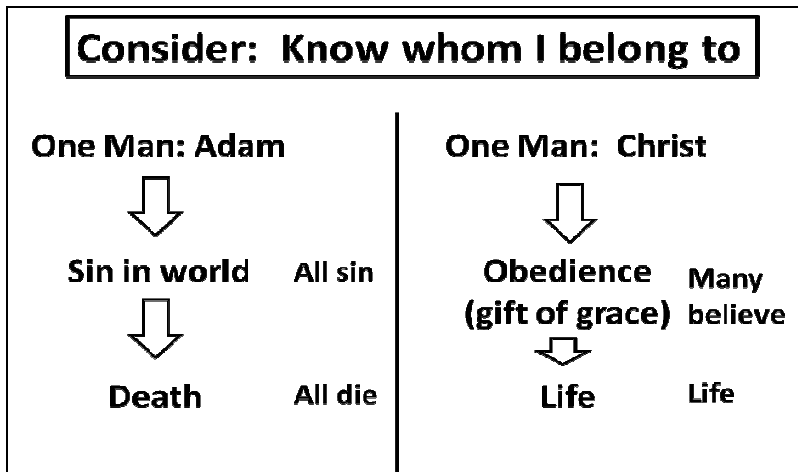


**Belonging to Jesus: “How to Live for Jesus”**  
**Romans 6:1-14**

Several weeks ago I introduced a plan to help us become more like Jesus. This plan is an important guide to focus our thinking and our living. The plan looks like this:

- Look at the cross: Remember and Celebrate the Cross and your Conversion
- Look to the Kingdom: Confidently and eagerly hope for completion of salvation and Perseverance in Present Sufferings
- Be empowered by the Spirit
- Follow Jesus, arm in arm with each other
- Reach the World

Last week we focused on “looking at the kingdom.” We saw that we are to confidently and eagerly hope for the completion of our salvation. This hope empowers us to persevere in our present sufferings. This morning we’ll be focusing on how to follow Jesus in everyday life.



## **Resist and Present**

**Resist  
Sin**

**Present  
Self  
to God**

### **Day by Day in the Word**

“Day by Day in the Word” is a tool we use to help us in the process of becoming more and more like Jesus and ultimately to bring glory to God. The biblical principle is: The Spirit of God uses the Word of God to bring about Christlikeness.

#### **Monday-Tuesday**

- If we are going to resist sin, we need to see the strategy of temptation. Let’s read James 1:12-15. First, what pattern do you find that leads to life? Include James 1:2-4 with this. What is James focusing on in verse 13? Finally, identify the pattern of temptation in verses 14-15. With this pattern, where and how are we to resist sin?
- Identify one area of your life where you are tempted by your lust. Establish a plan to resist this pathway. Link up with another individual to hold you accountable.
- How will the “consider” part of last week’s sermon help you to resist? Share this with someone.

#### **Wednesday-Thursday**

- Read Romans 6:1-10 and identify what we are to “know” (look for this key word). How will this help us to “walk in the newness of life”?
- Can you identify the connection between the cross, conversion, and baptism? Share this foundational concept with someone you know.
- What does the word “consider” mean in Romans 6:11? How do I actually do this? Let’s work on this together today: “Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.”

#### **Friday-Saturday**

- Read Romans 6:11-14 and make observations by answering Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How.
- What are we to resist and how do we do that? What are we to present and how do we do that? To whom do we present ourselves?
- Develop a plan with concrete steps to put this passage into practice. Be sure to do this with another individual and celebrate what God is doing in your life by praising Him and sharing with others.