SERMON

A Tale Of Two Masters

Romans 6

Why Is This Important?

01 Sin can rule our lives like a master.

02 Serving sin leads to death.

03 Jesus frees us to walk in newness of life.

Who Is Your Master?

Everyone serves a master.

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Should We Continue In Sin?

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ROMANS 6:1–3 NASB

1 What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin so that grace may increase?

2 Far from it! How shall we who died to sin still live in it?

3 Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death?

ROMANS 6:4–5 NASB

4 Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too may walk in newness of life.

5 For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection,

United with Christ

01 We died to sin with Christ.

02 We have been raised to walk in newness of life.

03 We are joined to Christ and share in His resurrection.

United

symphytoi

Grown together, like a branch grafted onto a living tree.

02

Sin No Longer Owns Us.

ROMANS 6:6–8 NASB

6 knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin;

7 for the one who has died is freed from sin.

8 Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him,

Freed from Sin

01 Our old self was crucified with Christ.

02 The body of sin was put out of action.

03 Our death with Christ freed us from sin’s ownership.

The old master no longer owns you

You may recognise his voice. You are free to answer to a new Lord.

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Dead To Sin, Alive To God

ROMANS 6:9–10 NASB

9 knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, is never
to die again; death no longer is master over Him.

10 For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all time; but
the life that He lives, He lives to God.

The Life Christ Lives

01 Jesus entered the realm of sin and death.

02 He died to sin once for all time.

03 He now lives wholly to God.

Once for All Time

ephapax

Once, and never again.

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The Secret To Victory Over Destructive Habits

11 So you too, consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

12 Therefore sin is not to reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts,

ROMANS 6:13 NASB

13 and do not go on presenting the parts of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those who are alive from the dead, and your body's parts as instruments of righteousness for God.

Consider and Present

01 Consider yourself dead to sin and alive to God.

02 Refuse to let sin reign in your body.

03 Present yourself to God as someone alive from the dead.

Present

paristēmi

To put at someone’s disposal.

Presenting Ourselves to God

01 Troops ready for a commander

02 A servant ready for a master

03 An offering brought to the altar

04 A person standing before a judge

05 A bride presented to her husband

When Anger Calls

Count it true → Present yourself to God → Act in love

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King Sin Has Been Dethroned.

ROMANS 6:14–15 NASB

14 For sin shall not be master over you, for you are not under the Law but under grace.

15 What then? Are we to sin because we are not under the Law but under grace? Far from it!

ROMANS 6:16 NASB

16 Do you not know that the one to whom you present yourselves as slaves for obedience, you are slaves of that same one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness?

ROMANS 6:17–18 NASB

17 But thanks be to God that though you were slaves of sin, you
became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching to which
you were entrusted,

18 and after being freed from sin, you became slaves to
righteousness.

Under Grace

01 Sin has lost its authority over you.

02 You have been freed to serve righteousness.

03 Everyone obeys a master.

Obey

hypakouō

To hear under. Obedience begins with listening to God.

19 For as through the one man’s disobedience the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the One the many will be made righteous.

5 through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles in behalf of His name,

26 but now has been disclosed, and through the Scriptures of the prophets, in accordance with the commandment of the eternal God, has been made known to all the nations, leading to obedience of faith;

The Obedience of Faith

01 Our obedience begins with Christ’s obedience.

02 Romans opens and closes with the obedience of faith.

03 We respond from the heart to the pattern of the gospel.

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Upward Stumble

ROMANS 6:19 NASB

19 I am speaking in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented the parts of your body as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness, resulting in further lawlessness, so now present your body's parts as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification.

Growing in Righteousness

01 Sanctification means being set apart for God.

02 Habits compound in the direction we give ourselves to.

03 Becoming like Christ takes time.

Two Directions

Lawlessness	→	Further lawlessness	→	Death
Righteousness	→	Further righteousness	→	Sanctification

Fruit Takes Time

01 Fruit takes time to grow.

02 Fruit shows what kind of tree it is.

03 A gardener tends the tree and trusts it to bear fruit.

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The Futility Of Sin VS Righteousness

20 For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in relation to righteousness.

21 Therefore what benefit were you then deriving from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the outcome of those things is death.

ROMANS 6:22–23 NASB

22 But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in sanctification, and the outcome, eternal life.

23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gracious gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Wages and Gift

01 Sin pays the wages of death.

02 God gives eternal life as a gracious gift.

03 Eternal life begins now and comes to fullness in the resurrection.

3 And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

SUMMARY

Living Under a New Master

01 Reckon · Count yourself dead to sin and alive to God.

02 Present · Give yourself to God in obedience.

03 Trust · Let Him grow fruit in you over time.

What Kind of Master Is Jesus?

Master Jesus VS Master Sin

Master Sin	Master Jesus
Enslaves and destroys	Liberates and restores
Takes your life	Gives His life for you
Pays the wages of death	Gives the gift of eternal life
Rules through tyranny	Leads as the Good Shepherd
Uses you for its purposes	Washes your feet in love

Jesus Our Master Who Serves His Slaves

MARK 10:45 NASB

45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.

JOHN 10:10–11 NASB

10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came so that they would have life, and have it abundantly.

11 “I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.

RESPONSE

Why Wait?

Jesus is offering you His life today.

Freedom to Live a New Life

You have died with Christ. And you are alive in Him.