

The Book of Romans: Chapters 6 & 7

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Chapter 6 (May 4)

(1 – 4) What is the point behind the question that Paul poses in verse 1? How did his question relate to the topic that he was addressing at the end of Chapter 5? In Paul's answer to the question that he raised, how did he use a reference to baptism to articulate his point? (*Romans 5: 20 – 21; Colossians 2: 11 – 13*)

(5 – 7) How did Paul describe the effects of baptism? How can we use Paul's observations to teach others about the essential nature of baptism, and its outcome? (*Galatians 3: 26 – 29*)

(8 – 11) Describe Paul's further explanation of the outcome of baptism. How do we share in the victory that Christ accomplished by His death and resurrection? (*Hebrews 10: 11 – 14*)

(12 – 15) How should we respond to the sacrifice that Jesus made for us, and to the grace that God demonstrates toward us? Describe the meaning behind the question that Paul poses in verse 15, and the answer that he provides. (*Galatians 2: 20 – 21*)

(16 – 19) How did Paul describe the covenant relationship that we share with God? How did Paul's illustration regarding slavery help to make his point about serving God within the covenant? What did Paul indicate about the choices that we make? (*Joshua 24: 14 – 15*)

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(20 – 23) Describe how Paul contrasts the outcome of sin with the outcome of faithful service to the Lord. In verse 23, what did Paul mean by referring to the outcome of sin as “wages”, and the outcome of the sacrifice that Christ made as being a “gift”? (*Philippians 3: 18 – 19; 2 Timothy 1: 8 – 9*)

Chapter 7 (May 7)

(1 – 3) In preparing for his next illustration, what points did Paul make about the marriage relationship? (*Genesis 2: 24; Matthew 5: 32; 1 Corinthians 7: 39*)

(4 – 6) How did Paul use the example of marriage (from the previous passage) to describe the transition between the Old Law and the New Covenant? What does this teach us about the relationship we have with God under the New Covenant? (*Hosea 2: 19; Galatians 3: 23 – 25*)

(7 – 12) What observations did Paul make regarding the relationship between sin and righteousness within the Old Law? How was sin identified by the Old Law? From verse 8, explain the point that Paul made that the Law, by identifying sin, created the desire to commit sin. (*James 1: 14 – 15*)

(13 – 16) How did Paul describe the benefit of the Old Law in identifying the severity of sin? In verse 14, how did Paul contrast the Law with the sinful nature of mankind?

(17 – 20) How did Paul describe the effects of sin? Consider the internal conflict that Paul describes. How can we relate to that conflict, and how can we overcome it? (*1 Corinthians 10: 12 – 13; 1 John 1: 8 – 10*)

(21 – 24) Describe Paul’s further observations and personal example regarding the internal conflict between sin and righteousness. What can we learn and apply from Paul’s observations that can enhance our ability to resist temptation and act according to God’s word? (*James 4: 7 – 10*)