

FBC POWELL, 3-9-08 AM NOTES
"RESPONDING TO THE CROSS"
ROMANS 6:11-18
(#6 in Series, "The Journey")

Sanctification—To be set apart or made holy

Romans 6:22 (NASB) "But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, **resulting in sanctification**, and the outcome, eternal life."

2 Corinthians 7:1 (HCSB) "Therefore dear friends, since we have such promises, we should wash ourselves clean from every impurity of the flesh and spirit, **making our sanctification complete** in the fear of God."

I. Know (v. 11a)

Romans 6:6 (NKJV) "**Knowing** this, that our old man was crucified with *Him*, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin."

II. Reckon (vv. 11-12)

Reckon—To consider, count, account, or impute

Romans 4:5 (NKJV) "But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is **accounted** for righteousness."

Faith—Acting like God is telling the truth

"Sin need have no more power over the believer than he grants it through unbelief."

—Ruth Paxton

Romans 6:5 (NKJV) "For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be *in the likeness* of *His* resurrection."

Hebrews 4:2b (NKJV) "...the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard *it*."

Daniel 1:8a (NKJV) "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself."

III. Present (vv. 13-18)

Romans 12:1 (NKJV) "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you **present** your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service."

A. The Options for Our Presentation (vv. 13-15)

*"Do this and live the law commands,
But gives me neither feet nor hands.
A better word [grace] now brings,
It bids me fly and gives me wings."*

B. The Results of Our Presentation (vv. 16-18)

Matthew 6:24a (NKJV) “No one can serve two masters.”

John 8:34 (NKJV) “Jesus answered them, ‘Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin.’”

Romans 1:1a (HCSB) “Paul, a slave of Christ Jesus...”

We were *non posse peccare* (not able not to sin).
When we are saved, we are *posse non peccare* (able not to sin).

Romans 6:22 (ESV) “But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to **sanctification** and its end, eternal life.”

“You have already received ‘all things that pertain unto a life of godliness.’ You do not need another experience. You do not need some new gift. You have been given everything in Christ; you are ‘in Him’ from the beginning of your Christian life. You are just a slacker and a cad, just lazy and indolent, indeed ‘a liar,’ if you are not living this life.”

—Dr. Martin Lloyd-Jones