

## **2. Sanctification: Our response to God (6:11-14)**

### **1. Introduction**

### **2. Misreading Rom.6:11-14**

### **3. Getting a hold on the passage (6:11-14)**

1. Jesus said, "I am the bread of life" (Jn.6:35,51 see too 6:41,48)
2. Jesus said, "I am the light of the world" (Jn.8:12)
3. Jesus said, "I am the door" (Jn.10:9)
4. Jesus said, "I am the Good Shepherd" (Jn.10:11)
5. Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life" (Jn.11:25-26)
6. Jesus said, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life" (Jn.14:6)
7. Jesus said, "I am the true vine" (Jn.15:5)
8. Jesus also refers to Himself as being "the bridegroom" of the church (Mk.2:19-20; Rev.21:2)
9. Jesus claimed to be the eternal God (Jn.8:58)
10. Jesus claimed to be the Messiah/Christ (Jn.8:24)
11. Christ is the Messiah King who will execute perfect justice and slay the wicked (Matt.25:31-46)

### **4. An illustration of the outworking of our being "in Christ"**

### **5. Christian responsibility: Pursuing holiness based on truth (Rom.6:11-14)**

1. Christian responsibility: Imitate Christ (6:11)
2. Christian responsibility: Use your new freedom (6:11)
3. Christian responsibility: Fight the good fight (6:12)
4. Christian responsibility: Pursue righteousness (6:13)
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5. Christian responsibility and God's promise (6:14)
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## **Conclusion**

# The Christian's Necessary Pursuit of Holiness (Sanctification)

## Part 4

### Romans 6.1-14

#### Introduction

1. The universality and depth of our sin (Rom.1:18-3:20)
2. Justification by faith alone through Jesus alone (Rom.3:21-4:25)
3. Representation (Rom.5:12-21)

And now,

4. Sanctification (Rom.6:1ff)

The foundation laid by God, upon which, sanctification rests (6:1-10)

1. What took place? (6:2b,3,4,5,6,7,8)
2. When did we die to sin? (Rom.6:3,4; 1Cor.12:13; Jn.3:7-8)
3. How did we die to sin? (6:4,5,6,8)
  1. Representation results in a necessary change of lifestyle (6:2,4,5,6,7)
  2. Representation makes justification and sanctification inseparable (Matt.7:16,20,18; Jn.17:6)
  3. Representation distinguishes between justification and sanctification
  4. Representation in Christ, guarantees a new lifestyle, and our eternal destiny (6:8-10)

#### 1. Four questions

1. When Paul says humanity is "dead in sin", what are the implications of this truth? (Eph.1:1; Col.2:13; Jn.11:25,43b-44a)

1. The raising of Lazarus after he had been dead for four days (Jn.11:25,43b-44a)
2. The raising of the spiritually dead (Eph.2:4-6a) (ESV)

#### 2. Justification (Rom.8:33-34)

1. Is by faith alone in Christ alone
2. If it covers every past, present, and future sin
3. If justification is a verdict pronounced by God who is Perfect Justice
4. If our justification is pronounced on the basis of Christ's perfect; once for all; death

#### 3. Representation (Rom.5:18)

1. Did humanity choose Adam as our representative? No
2. Did humanity have any choice in whether or not we wanted to be involved in the principle of representation through Adam? No.
3. Did humanity have any choice as to what aspects of our lives would be represented in Adam? No.
4. Did we have any choice as to who would be represented in Adam-all of humanity or some of humanity? No
5. Did we have any knowledge that Adam was representing us? No.

#### 4. Sanctification (Rom.6:1-10)