









And when that root of sin is eradicated, then you sin no more.

I was saved among these people. But unfortunately, even in that very conference, the founder of that organization lost her temper among the crowd. But they have a kind of reasoning.

This is not sin, this is weakness. And I just couldn't accept it. The way to be delivered from sin is not by eradication.

Sin, as a power, will be in us until we die. As long as we still live on this earth, it is there. So what is God's way of deliverance? God's way of deliverance is not eradication.

God's way of deliverance is isolation. So as you read Romans 6.6, knowing this, our old man was crucified with Christ. That the body of sin might be annulled.

That we should no longer serve sin. So sin here is a power. We know that after our forefather Adam sinned, sin, as a power, came into his life.

And sin became the master of his being. And this sin dwells in our soul. Dwells in our old man.

Our old man is like a steward. Sin as the master. He will give his command to the old man.

And the old man will relay that command to this body of sin. Because this body is now a body of sin. To sin is the work of this body.

To sin is the work of this body. So what is the way of deliverance? Instead of rooting out, rooting out the sin from us. It is still there.

But the way of deliverance is to put the old man to death. In other words, when sin gave his command, nobody is receiving that command. And because nobody receives that command, so the body of sin is annulled.

Annulled doesn't mean annihilated. It means unemployed. This body was employed by sin.

And now this body is unemployed. And that is the way that we no longer serve sin. So brothers and sisters, we thank God for his marvelous way of deliverance.

That he used the way of isolation. He will allow sins to still be there. I think he has a good reason for it.

That we have to be careful, we have to be humble. And yet, sin is so isolated that it cannot work anymore. And our body of sin is unemployed.

So as you read the book of Romans, after you have known this thing, then the first step will be in Romans 6, verse 11. So also ye, reckon yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. First, you see the old man was dead.

And then you reckon it as dead in Christ Jesus. And also reckon yourself as alive to God. And this is faith.

Faith is based upon fact, not upon feeling. Because whenever you begin to look into feeling, you will find your old man is very much alive. Because you get out of Christ.

But whenever you look at Christ, and you find the old man was dead. And you are alive in Christ Jesus. This is the first step.

And then the second step. How about this body? This body is now unemployed. Now he needs to be re-employed.

So in verse 13, it says, Neither ye'll your members instrument of unrighteousness to sin, but ye'll yourselves to God as alive from among the dead, and your members instrument of righteousness to God. Now since this body of sin has been unemployed, there is no reason why you should still yield to unrighteousness. Now what do you do now? You seek new employment.

So you ye'll yourselves to God as alive from among the dead. And your members instrument of righteousness to God. And what will be the result? For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law, but under grace.

So dear brothers and sisters, we do thank the Lord for His perfect salvation. He not only forgave all our sins, but He opened the way for us to be delivered from the power of sin. That He even will accept us to serve Him.

And even in our daily life, we can live righteousness unto holiness. And this is the salvation of the Lord. And this is the foundation upon which we can talk about the cross and the flesh, and the cross and the self-life.

So may the Lord help us. Dear Lord, we want to thank Thee for Thy perfect salvation. Because Thou hast not only borne our sins in Your body, and by the shedding of Thy precious blood, our sins were forgiven.

Thou hast also made provision for us to overcome even the power of sin. That we may live a life holy, righteous unto Thyself. We do pray that these will not be just a mental understanding to us.

We pray that Thou will reveal Thy cross so vividly to each and every one of us. That we may be drawn into all the goodness of it. We want to glory in the cross of Jesus Christ.

We ask in Thy precious name. Amen.

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