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## Staying Dead

### Attributes of Freedom

- Peace
- Hope
- The Holy Spirit
- Life

### We Have a Problem

<sup>15</sup> I **do** not understand what I **do**. For what I want to **do** I **do** not **do**, but what I hate I **do**.... <sup>18</sup> For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to **do** what is good, but I cannot carry it out. <sup>19</sup> For I **do** not **do** the good I want to **do**, but the evil I **do** not want to **do**—this I keep on **doing**. <sup>20</sup> Now if I **do** what I **do** not want to **do**, it is no longer I who **do** it, but it is sin living in me that **does** it.

Romans 7:15, 18-20 (NIV11)

- The Problem is \_\_\_\_\_

### So What and Now What

<sup>9</sup> For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. <sup>10</sup> The death he died, he died to sin once **for all**; but the life he lives, he **lives to God**.

Romans 6:9-10 (NIV2011)

<sup>11</sup> In the same way, **count** yourselves **dead to sin** but **alive to God** in Christ Jesus. Romans 6:11 (NIV2011)

- \_\_\_\_\_ - **Sin is not my master**

<sup>12</sup> Therefore **do not let sin** reign in your mortal body so that you obey **its** evil desires. Romans 6:12 (NIV2011)

- \_\_\_\_\_ - **I will not let sin rule my life**

<sup>13</sup> Do not **offer** any **part** of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, Romans 6:13a (NIV2011)

but rather **offer yourselves** to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and **offer every part** of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness.

Romans 6:13b (NIV2011)

- \_\_\_\_\_ - **My body to God**

<sup>2</sup> Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. <sup>3</sup> For you have **died** and your life is **hidden** with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ, who is our life.... Colossians 3:2-4a (NASB)

**It's not about trying** \_\_\_\_\_.

**It's about letting Christ live** \_\_\_\_\_ **you.**

### My Next Step Today Is To...

- Give my life to Jesus so that I can begin to live a life where sin is not my master.
- Decide, daily, that "I'm not going to let sin rule over me."
- Begin each day making a decision to devote the parts of my body to God as an instrument of righteousness.
- Meditate on and or memorize Romans 6:12