

TO GO

1. Have you ever found yourself struggling to live in a new reality that had every reason to be good, and yet you still weren't happy? What about the situation caused it to be that way?
2. Read Romans 6:1–7. What indicators does Paul give us for what life was like before dying with Christ? What, then, was our relationship to sin? How did sin have dominance in our lives?
3. What happened when we put our faith in Jesus? What does it mean to have died with Christ and then to be raised with him again in newness of life (Rom 6:4)? What part of us died? How did that change our relationship to sin?
4. Read Romans 6:8–10. In what way are we made new in Christ? What do we know about Christ's resurrection that gives us hope and confidence for our own?
5. In what way, fundamentally, are we repositioned toward sin now that we've been made new in Christ? How do we reconcile that with the fact that we still do sin?
6. Read Romans 6:11. What does Paul challenge us to consider? What are the results of considering ourselves in this way?
7. Read Romans 6:12–13. How does Paul challenge us to resist sin and, rather, to present ourselves and our "members" as instruments of righteousness?
8. How is God calling you to move away from the fence today? What lies are you believing that are keeping you close? What doubts are you experiencing that are causing you to give credence to the voice of the Evil One over the voice of the Master Gardener?
9. Read Psalm 51. Repent of any sin that comes to mind. Invite the cleansing work of Christ to reshape your thinking and your experience. And renew your commitment to follow the Spirit in all things.