

Winning the War With Sin

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Three strategies to win the war with sin:

I. We _____. (by engaging our MINDS)

- a) **Romans 6:8-10 (NIV84)** Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ For **we know** that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.

A. We need to grow in the _____ of the Truth.

- a) Hosea 4:6; 2 Peter 3:18; Matthew 22:29

1. Our old life is _____.

- a) **Romans 6:2-3** We died to sin; how can you live in it ... 3 or **don't you know**...your were baptized into Jesus death?
b) **Romans 6:6** For **we know** that our old self was crucified...

2. Our old lifestyle is _____.

- a) **Romans 6:6** "For we know that our old self was crucified with him **so that** the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin—"

> Are you engaging your _____ by reading the Bible?

II. We _____. (by trusting God with our HEARTS)

A. We need to _____ what God says about us is true.

- a) **Romans 6:11 (NIV84)** In the same way, **count** [reckon] yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

1. We need to reckon ourselves _____ to sin.

- a) **RECKON**= (Gk)= **logizomai** (i.e. "Logic"): to count, consider, calculate or estimate; a conviction.

2. We need to reckon ourselves _____ to Christ.

- a) **Sanctification** doesn't mean you won't sin. But it does mean you don't HAVE to sin.
b) **1 Corinthians 10:13 (NIV84)** No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

> Are you trusting in God by _____ not to sin?

III. We _____. (by empowering our WILL)

A. We need to offer _____ to God and do good.

- a) **Romans 6:12-13 (NIV84)** **Therefore** do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. ¹³ Do not offer the parts of your body to sin, as instruments of wickedness **but** rather offer yourselves to God, as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer the parts of your body to him as instruments of righteousness.

B. Four tips on how to get _____ over sin:

1. Plug into God's _____.

- a) **James 4:7 (NIV)** **Submit** yourselves, then, to God. **Resist** the devil, and he will flee from you.

2. Maintain _____.

3. Flee from _____.

4. Embrace your _____.

- a) **Romans 6:14 (NIV84)** For sin shall not be your master because you are not under law, but under grace.

> Do you truly _____ that life is found in _____ and not your sin?

IV. SUMMARY

A. Isn't it good to know you don't have to _____ anymore!

Discussion Questions:

1. Do you struggle with sin? How does it make you feel?
2. What has been most difficult for you in your fight against sin?
3. What did you learn from this lesson that can help you win the war with sin?
4. Describe what you think it means to "Reckon yourselves dead to sin."
5. What practical tips did you learn that might help you to get victory over sin?

Next Week: Romans 6:15-23