

Big Idea: *The book of Romans argues that that everything is not OK with the world; sin is disastrous to the human race. But God's grace abounds, and that's great news, so is sin a good thing? A related issue is that Christians still sin, which is the topic of Romans 6 and 7. Paul begins with things we need to know.*

I. Introduction / Review

What does Romans state about the human condition?

Rom. 1,2,3

Review: "For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous." (Rom. 5:19)

II. A Question about Grace

Rom. 6:1

How can that fact that "grace abounded all the more" (Rom 5:20) be misused?

What is the short answer to the question in verse 1?

Rom. 6:2

III. Do You Not Know?

Rom. 6:3-10

What does *baptism* mean in verses 3 and 4?

What does it mean to "die to sin"? Why must we die?

Does "dying to sin" mean that Christians should be sinless? If not, what does it mean?

IV. Reckon Yourselves

What is the command in verse 11? Why is it a command?

Rom. 6:11

What is the relationship between an unbeliever, and sin?

What is the relationship between a believer, and sin?

How is it that the Christian life describe by two opposite adverbs: "already" and "not yet"?