

## Lesson: ROMANS 6:6-14 (NIV based)

THEME - Declaring War On One's Sin And Sin Nature

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Q: Are you and I willing to live for God to the maximum degree or extent? Are you passionate about this?

Q: What steps do we need to take to be totally set apart for holy use (sanctified)? A: today - looking at the initial steps and their costs

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vv.6-10: we know vv.3,6,9

Q: We know what? A: we died to sin - it no longer has the power to keep us in bondage to it if we know how to draw on God's power

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vv.11-14: v.11 we count ourselves = consider (NAS), reckon (KJ)

Q: What does it mean to count ourselves dead to sin (v.11)?

Q: How do we count ourselves dead to sin but alive to God? A: there are 2 parts:  
PART 1 - Battling our sin nature - see vv.12,13a,14

Q: How do we battle our sin nature, kill our desire to sin (v.12), not let sin reign (v.12), not let sin be our master (v.14)? Other scriptures? A:

1. set our minds against our personal sin and upon what the Spirit desires - Rom. 8:5 - be determined, declare war, willing to change, hate your own personal sin!
2. take thoughts captive - 2 Cor. 10:5
3. refuse to obey evil desires - Rom. 6:12,13a - do not submit or yield, no matter what the cost, DON'T FEED THE MONSTER!
4. root out areas of unknown sin - Ps. 66:17-20 cherished sin;  
Ps. 139:23-24 let God expose them, draw on His power to convict,  
listen to your spouse!

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BIG IDEA: Do you and I hate our own personal sin? Are you and I willing to draw on God's power to make us aware of what we are doing wrong? Are we willing to let God show us our sin daily and be willing to actively resist and fight it? Are we willing to reckon or count ourselves completely dead to sin? Are you and I willing to declare war on our own personal sin?

Lead a group PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

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