

BE A BRINGER

“40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus....”
John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

“Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;....” I Samuel 12:23a



MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Charles & Jurldean Strong | Mexico



PRAISE

- For safety from recent violence by the drug cartels.
- For a successful Bible School in early August, there were over 70 in attendance and 24 were saved.

PRAY

- The ongoing violence and crime in Mexico with drug cartels, stealing vehicles, shooting, killing.
- For the outreach to families of children who attended Bible School.
- For the pastor’s wife, Diane, she seems to be doing great and recovering. She has a follow-up visit soon.



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Study Date: 11/26/23

Living On Purpose

The Reason for Our Death with Christ (Romans 6:6-7)

Through our identification with Christ in this unique and wonderful way, God has broken sin’s stronghold in the life. “Knowing this,” says Paul, “that our old man is crucified with him” (v. 6a). The expression “the old man” occurs in Ephesians 4:22 and in Colossians 3:9, as well as here, “and always means the man of the old, corrupt human nature, the inborn tendency to evil in all men. In Romans 6:6 it is the natural man himself; in Ephesians 4:22 and Colossians 3:9 his ways. Positionally, in the reckoning of God, the old man is crucified, and the believer is exhorted to make this good in experience, reckoning it to be so by definitely ‘putting off’ the old man and ‘putting on’ the new.”

The old man, then, is the man of old, the man we used to be before our conversion. There is something we should know about this old man: he is now dead! He has been crucified with Christ. The figure of crucifixion is very striking, for no man can crucify himself. In death by crucifixion the execution is of necessity at the hands of another. At Calvary, God has dealt with the question of self as well as the question of sin by putting us to death with Christ. This is something we need to know, for without this knowledge we can never hope to experience deliverance from all that we are by natural birth.

Through our identification with Christ, furthermore, God has broken sin’s stronghold on the life. “Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin” (vv. 6-7). “The body of sin” has been defined as “the instrument for carrying out sin’s orders.” W. E. Vine says that the word *soma* “denotes the body as the organic instrument of natural life; it is used here figuratively with that as its essential significance... In the phrase, ‘the body of sin,’ then, sin is regarded as an organized power, acting through the members of the body, though the seat of sin is in the will.” The believer is to regard his body as dead so far as being an instrument through which sin can work, is concerned.

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KEY VERSE

Romans 6:7 (NKJV)

Knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Romans 12:1; Galatians 2:20

Introduction

1. What is Romans 12:1 calling believers to in being “holy & acceptable” to God?
2. What does it mean for YOU that you’ve been “crucified with Christ?”

Tuesday: 1 Peter 2:21; Matthew 16:24

Knowing Believers Must Carry Their Cross

3. How are believers “called” to suffer as Christ did?
4. In what ways do YOU “deny yourself” to follow Christ each day?

Wednesday: Romans 6:1-7; Colossians 3:5; Galatians 5:24

Knowing Believers Are Free From Sin

5. Those who have been “crucified with Christ” are now free from what?
6. “*What*” specifically have we crucified on the cross in “belonging to Christ”?

Thursday: Romans 6:8-10; II Corinthians 5:17; Romans 6:15-16

Knowing That Death Has Lost It’s Grip On Believers

7. According to Romans 6:8 those of us who *died* with HIM will also do what?
8. When Christ rose from the dead, *what* no longer had dominion over Him or us as believers?
9. Romans 6:16 defines us as “slaves” to one of two options. What are they?

Friday: Ephesians 2:10; Romans 6:11-17

Knowing Believers Are Alive To God

10. As believers, the cross has made us now dead in our transgressions, but “alive” to *whom* in Christ Jesus our Lord?
11. Romans 6:14 tells us that we are no longer under “the law” but *what*?
12. As believers, how does Ephesians 2:10 define us?