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Romans Lesson 6
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"Our sin grieves our heavenly Father. Whether we are unkind to someone else or unforgiving when someone is unkind to us, we grieve our Father's heart....we also presume on His grace....but sin, in its subtle deceitfulness, will suggest to us that our unkind words and resentful thoughts don't matter because God has forgiven them. Forgiveness, however, does not mean overlooking or tolerating our sin. God never does that. Instead, God always judges sin. But in our case (that is, the case of all who trust in Jesus as their Savior), God has judged our sin in the person of His Son."

Respectable Sins, by Jerry Bridges

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Review 5:18-21

v.18-19:

- one man's (Adam's) disobedience = all are sinners.
- one Man's (Christ's) obedience = many will be made righteous (sufficient for all).

v.20:

- The Law pointed out sin; sin increased.
- Grace abounded more.

v.21:

- Sin reigned in death.
- Grace reigns through righteousness to eternal life; hints at a new master

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BAPTIZO = to sink into, to submerge, to immerse, to place into.

Has both a literal and figurative meaning:

- Literal = to immerse, to place into
- Figurative = to be identified with.

I Cor 10:2 "and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea" = identified with Moses in leaving Egypt.

Lk 12:50 "But I have a baptism to undergo, and how distressed I am until it is accomplished!"

= Jesus, speaking of the death that would identify Him.

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II Cor 5:17

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a *new creature*; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.”

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Ps 101:2-3

“...I will walk within my house in the integrity of my heart. I will set no worthless thing before my eyes....”

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Sow a thought, Reap an action
Sow an action, Reap a habit
Sow a habit, Reap a character
Sow a character, Reap a destiny

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Rom 6:17

“But thanks be to God that though *you were slaves of sin*, you became obedient from the heartand having been freed from sin, *you became slaves of righteousness.*”

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Slavery to lawlessness and impurity
= further lawlessness

Slavery to righteousness =
sanctification; more like Christ!

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“ROI = Return on Investment” (Rom 6:20-22)

Slavery to sin; “free” from righteous
demands: “benefit?” = death!

Freed from sin; enslaved to God:
“benefit?” = sanctification, eternal life!

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Romans 6:23

“For the wages of sin is death, but
the free gift of God is eternal life in
Christ Jesus our Lord.”

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Lessons from Romans 6:

1. We can't begin to work on sin in our lives unless we first know the One who paid the price for that sin. (6:23)
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 - c) Present yourself and your “members” (your body) to God to be used as “instruments of righteousness.” (6:13,19)
 - d) Obey your new Master, the Lord and the teaching (scriptures) to which you were committed (6:16-17).