

Family preparation for congregational worship on March 12, 2017

Our Scripture-Romans 6:1-10 (ESV): What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. 5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. 7 For one who has died has been set free from sin. 8 Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God.

Discuss:

- 1. Why should we make a strong effort not to sin?
- 2. What does baptism symbolize about our relationship with Christ?
- 3. How does being united with Christ through His death change the future of our lives?

Prayer: Thank the Lord for the blessings He has given you. Praise the Lord that He faithfully loves you. Ask God to search your heart and cleanse you from any sin the Holy Spirit brings to mind. Pray that others would see Christ in you. Pray for your daily activities. Pray, for Isaac & Bethany Ledford as they are currently working with university students. Ask the Lord who He would have you invite to church this coming Sunday.

Memorize (January): "Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. 19 And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. **John 3:18-19 (ESV)**

Music:

As you meditate and prepare your heart for worship this Sunday, sing this song to the Lord;

I will sing of my Redeemer and His wondrous love to me; On the cruel cross He suffered from the curse to set me free

Sing, O sing of my Redeemer, With His blood He purchased me; On the cross He sealed my pardon, Paid the debt and made me free.

I will tell the wondrous story, How my lost estate to save; In His boundless love and mercy, He the ransom freely gave.

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