

## QUESTIONS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

1. What helps you to be regularly amazed at God's grace demonstrated through the cross of Jesus Christ?
2. Why is it important to understand *why* Jesus died? Why isn't it enough to understand *how* or *that* He died?
3. Do you ever doubt God's love for you? What is the best way to be regularly convinced of God's love for you? How does this work practically on an ordinary day?
4. What does it mean "to die to sin and live for righteousness" (verse 24)?
5. What does it mean to "preach the gospel to yourself"? Why is it necessary? How practically does a person do this?

*"Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, is never to die again; death no longer is master over Him. For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus."*

Romans 6:3-11

## "THE POWER OF THE CROSS"

1 PETER 2:24-25

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### I. Introduction

- II. Through Christ's death on the cross, we are delivered from the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

*Verse 24*

III. Through Christ's death on the cross, we are delivered from the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

*Verse 25*

1. The power of sin caused us to \_\_\_\_\_ continually as \_\_\_\_\_.

2. The power of sin required \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for deliverance.

3. The power of sin requires the \_\_\_\_\_ care of our great \_\_\_\_\_.

IV. To be delivered from the penalty and power of sin, you must \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

Memory Verse

*"I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me."*

Galatians 2:20