### Romans 6:1-14

A CHANGE OF STATUS

### Romans 5-8

- Echoes of the Exodus story (especially with Baptism this morning)
- Those whom God justifies (declares righteous), God glorifies (will inherit the cosmos)

### Last week in Romans 5

Sin had spread but grace can overcome

Sin abounds but grace Superabounds

God pours out His grace through Jesus

**GRACE NOW RULES** 

### Romans 6:1-2

"What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it?"

•This is about where we live

•This is about STATUS, NOT BEHAVIOR

#### **UNDERSTANDING VERSE 2**

### "We are the kind of people who died to sin"

"We are the kind of people whose main characteristic is precisely that we have died to sin"

### Romans 6:3-5

"Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be <u>united</u> with him in a resurrection like his."

# Newness of life starts <u>now</u>, not at the final resurrection

### Romans 6:6-7

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### Romans 5:12-14

12 Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned—13 sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. 14 Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.....

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The body of sin = our solidarity with sin

### Romans 6:8-10

"If we co-died with the Messiah, we believe that we will also co-live with the Messiah."

"We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God."

## "So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus." Romans 6:11

### Romans 6:12-14

"Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members (the parts of your body) to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace."