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Buried and Risen in Him 6:1-4

- Introduction
 - Romans 3:20- 5:21 teaches the justification truths while chapter six moves into the sanctification truths.
 - Christ's death for us deals with the penalty of sin while our death with Christ deals with the power or root of sin.
 - The sanctification truths of chapter 6 get to the root of the sin nature
 - Any other way to deal with the sin problem is going to be self-effort or legalism



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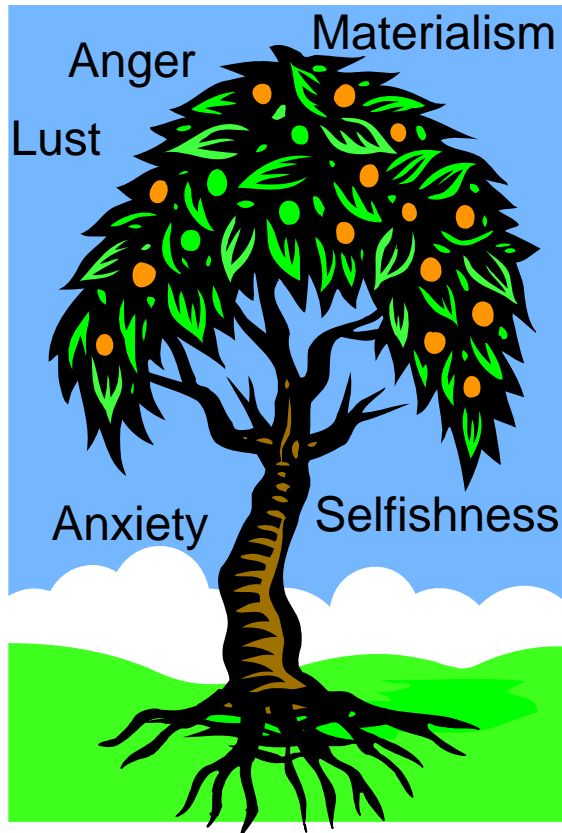
- What is the ultimate purpose of these truths?
 - God's glory
 - To declare His Glory
 - To reveal His Glory
 - To share His Glory
 - To be glorified
 - The focus of it all is to be on the Lord and not on ourselves



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Bad Tree



Bad roots – sin nature

How can this tree be stopped from producing this fruit?

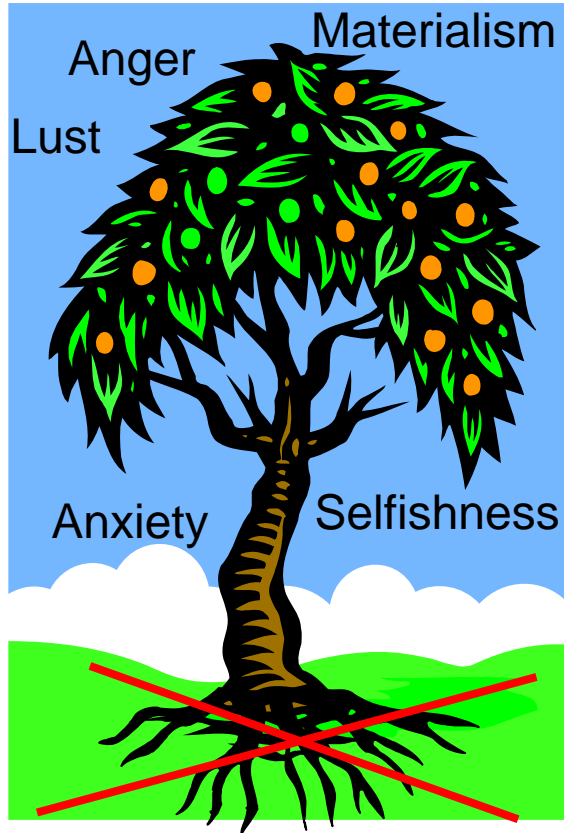
How is the sin nature stopped from producing its deeds in the life of the believer?



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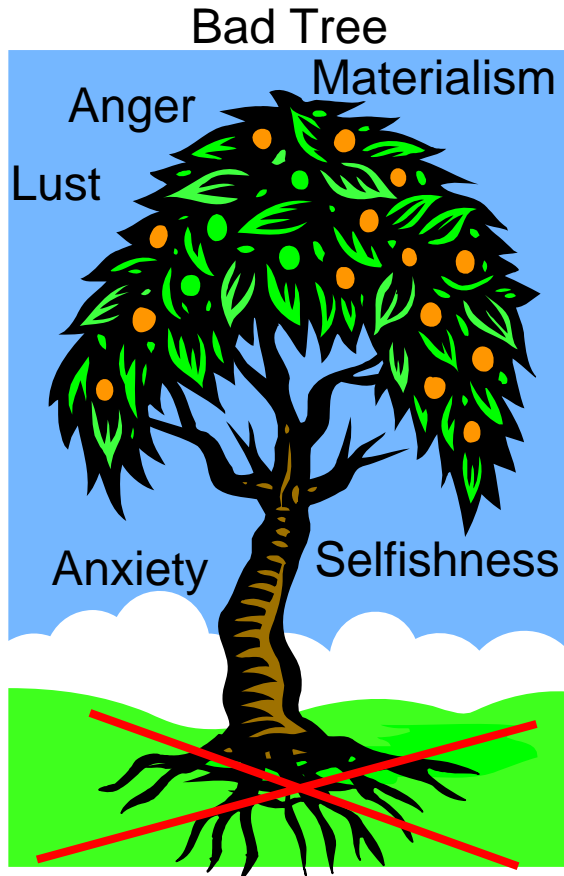


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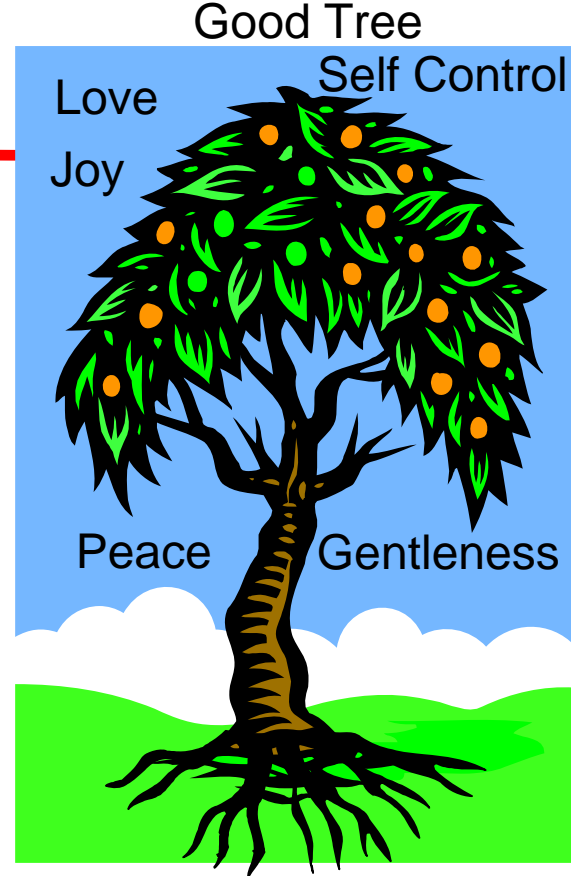
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Bad Tree

Anger
Lust
Materialism
Anxiety
Selfishness

Bad roots – sin nature



Good Tree

Love
Joy
Self Control
Peace
Gentleness

Good roots - Christ

Which tree are we abiding in?



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- Should we continue in sin so that grace can increase?
 - No
- Why is it that we should not continue in sin so grace can increase?
 - Because we have died to sin
 - Died – are dead – Positional truth, (verb, indicative, aorist, active)
 - This action is a reality that happened in the past
 - This is a permanent act which cannot be undone or redone
 - This verse does not tell believers to die to sin but tells that they have already died to sin
- How did we die to sin?
 - We have been baptized or identified into Christ death – vs. 3
- Has the sin nature been annihilated or eradicated?
 - No
- What does died to sin mean?
 - Positional separation from the power, influence, slavery or rule of sin
- Can the sin nature still try to influence our lives?
 - Yes
- Do believers have to give into the temptations of the sin nature?
 - No



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- Do you not know – (verb, indicative, present, active)
 - Same word used in Romans 7:1
 - It assumes present knowledge, knowledge enough to understand what follows.
 - It could be said, do you not know and by the way you do know!
 - These people already knew of the truths that Paul was talking about.
 - Verse 6 & 9 – ‘knowing’ has the idea of ‘because of’ or ‘because we know’. (these are both causal participles)
 - Verse 11 – because we know now reckon
- What is the meaning of baptism in verse 3?



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- Baptized
 - Immersed
 - Placed into
 - Identified with
 - Whatever happened to Christ also happened to us.
- Into Jesus Christ
 - Previous union was with Adam, we were in Adam (Romans 5:12)
 - Separation from the Adamic nature could only come through death.
 - Now the new identification is with Christ, we are no longer in Adam but we are in Christ. (2 Cor. 5:17)
- We were baptized into His death
 - When Christ died we also died with him. What part of us died?
 - Sin nature positionally, all we were in Adam
 - Remember death means separation – In our death with Christ what were we separated from? The sin nature, we were cut loose from it
 - Baptized used here with the preposition indicates movement into in order to become involved with or a part of
- We were buried with Him through baptism into death
 - Buried here has the idea of to bury together - when Christ was buried we were buried with Him.
 - Through baptism or identification with Christ



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- Into death – again the preposition here is communicating the incorporation into Christ's death
- In order that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father
 - The conjunction, that – is to express purpose or result
 - In order that, as this happened to Christ it has also happened to us
 - Christ died – we also died with Christ
 - Christ was buried – we were also buried with Christ
 - Christ was raised from the dead – we were also raised from the dead with Christ (Col. 2:12-13)
- For the ultimate purpose that God would be glorified as we walk in newness of life
 - Should Walk – to walk about or conduct ones life (verb, aorist, active, subjunctive)
 - Subjunctive points out that this may happen or it may not happen
 - Based on the context it is clear that God wants us to be walking in newness of life
 - Walking no longer in the sin nature but in our new life with Christ
 - Newness – the idea of a change, change from walking – abiding in the sin nature to walking – abiding in the new nature
 - It is our new (in quality) nature, quality of and in Christ



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- Of life
 - Newness of life, with Christ as the source of this new life
 - Is God improving the sin nature?
 - Romans 7:18-19, 24 – Sin nature is not improved, made better, enhanced or fixed
 - Not newness of the sin nature (God did not improve the sin nature), not newness of our abilities, or anything else but newness of life, the life of Christ, with Him as the source
 - Tree illustration has Christ as its roots
- Facts
 - We were baptized into Christ
 - We were baptized into His death
- Concluding Facts – (Therefore)
 - We were buried with Him by baptism into death
- Purpose
 - In order that just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the father
 - So also we should walk in newness of life
 - Look at chart on following page



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Position – Ephesians 2:5-6

Condition – Romans 6:4

In light of your position walk in your condition



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- How do we walk in newness of life?
 - Walking by faith – 2 Cor. 5:7 (actively trusting in God's revealed truth), allowing Christ to live His life in and through us Gal. 2:20 and doing the things that He wants us to do, Romans 12:9-21?
- When does God want us to walk in newness of life?
 - Right away – 1 Thess. 1:6-9 – These were new believers walking in newness of life – Gal. 6:1-2 – these believers were a maximum of about 2 years old in the Lord