

Series: "THE PROMISE OF CHRISTMAS"  
 Part 2: THE PROMISE OF HIS POWER  
 Crossroads Community Church  
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<sup>17</sup> For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want. Galatians 5:17 (NIV)

<sup>15</sup> I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. Romans 7:15 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, Romans 5:1 (NIV)

**The Promise:**

➤ Jesus' death offers freedom from the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>3</sup> Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Romans 6:3 (NIV)

<sup>6</sup> For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin— <sup>7</sup> because anyone who has died has been set free from sin. Romans 6:6-7 (NIV)

<sup>9</sup> For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. Romans 6:9 (NIV)

**Experiencing God's Power Over Sin Requires:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>11</sup> I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. Psalm 119:11 (NIV)

2. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>11</sup> In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. Romans 6:11 (NIV)

3. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>12</sup> Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. <sup>13</sup> Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness... Romans 6:12-13a (NIV)

<sup>7</sup> ... Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. James 4:7b (NIV)

➤ **Maintain** \_\_\_\_\_

➤ **Cut off** \_\_\_\_\_

➤ **Foster** \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>13</sup> Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness. <sup>14</sup> For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace. Romans 6:13-14 (NIV)

<sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23 (NIV)

**Reflection Questions:**

- Which of these requirements is a strength for you?
- Which of these requirements is your weakest?
- Is there a sin in your life that continues to repeat itself?
- What is one way you can replace sin by turning your attention to serving God?