



Sermon Discussion Questions - May 1 & 3, 2026
The Benefits of the Cross - Week 5
Romans 6:5-7; 11-14

Ice Breaker: *When we trust in Jesus, we're set free from the penalty of sin!*

- **Q1:** When you hear the word “freedom”, what comes to mind? What does it look like to be free?

Read Romans 6:5-7; 11-14 together. Sin often promises freedom, but it actually leads to slavery.

- **Q2:** In what ways does sin *seem* like it offers freedom?
- **Q3:** How does it fail to deliver on that promise? What does “slavery to sin” actually look like?

Even though we're no longer slaves to sin, we still struggle with it.

- **Q4:** Where do you still notice sin having influence or a pull in your life?

When Christ sets us free, we become “slaves of righteousness,” and God begins to shape our obedience from the heart.

- **Q5:** What's the difference between obeying from the heart and just going through the motions? Why does that matter?

- **Q6: Are there areas of your life where you've been resisting obedience to God? Why?**

There's also a way of living that slowly leads us back into giving sin control.

- **Q7: What does this "way of living" look like in the life of a believer?**
- **Q8: On the other hand, what does it practically look like to present yourself to God as an "instrument for righteousness"?**

Jesus is our steady hope in the middle of the struggle—we rely on His faithfulness, not our own!

- **Q9: How does it encourage you to know your standing with God is based on Christ's faithfulness, not yours?**
- **Q10: Where do you sense the Holy Spirit working in your life right now? How can you respond in a way that helps you grow in holiness this week?**

Take a few minutes to encourage each other, and spend some time in prayer together!