

## TBC SERMON NOTES & STUDY

March 12, 2023 – Dr. Bryan Ferrell, Senior Pastor

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### Sermon Text:

#### **Romans 6:3-5 (NASB)**

<sup>3</sup> Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? <sup>4</sup> 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. <sup>5</sup> 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,

## **Sermon Outline:**

### **3 Unions That Took Place At Conversion (vv. 3-5)**

- 1. We Were United With Jesus Christ (vs. 3)**
- 2. We Were United With His Death (vs. 4a)**
- 3. We Were United With The Likeness of His Resurrection (vv. 4b-5)**

## **Shepherding Group Discussion:**

1. If the law does not restrain sin, then how does grace restrain sin?
2. Does grace encourage sin? Why or why not?
3. How does baptism relate to the picture of dying to sin and union with Christ?
4. What are some ways this section of scripture is misinterpreted regarding baptism? How would you explain to someone exactly what baptism means in this context and why it is used?
5. Is there such a thing as an unbaptized Christian? Why or why not?
6. Does the Bible teach that Christians have “two natures” battling internally in every situation? If not, then why do believers still struggle with sin, and how can we explain it?
7. What does it mean that we “have died to sin” (past tense)? Why is it important to interpret this correctly and not that we “are dying to sin” or “want to die to sin”?
8. Pastor gave 3 truths for believers who are returning to sin in some capacity. What were they and which of these was the most helpful for you in your walk with Christ this week?
9. How does knowing that believers have “died to sin” change the way we counsel other believers who are returning to old sins or stuck in a pattern of sin? What truths would you use from this section of scripture and how would you counsel this person? What would your conversation look like?
10. What will change in your close relationships (spouses, kids, friends, co-workers) this week as a result of being reminded of the precious truths of dying to sin, and being raised to new life with Christ?