November 24 Discussion Questions - Union

Romans 6:1-14

Review

"We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For <u>if</u> we have been *united with him* in a death like his, we shall certainly be *united with him* in a resurrection like his." Romans 6:4-5

If I am united with Christ, I have:

- **His Life** (v. 4,6,8)
 - 1. His <u>Perfection</u> (v. 14; 3:22,24; 5:1)
 - 2. His <u>Power</u> (v. 1-4,11-12; Eph. 1:19-20)
 - 3. His <u>Purpose</u> (v. 13; Lk. 4:19; 19:14; Php. 1:21)
- **His Love** (v. 5)
 - 4. His <u>Protection</u> (v. 6; 8:1)
 - 5. His <u>Provision</u> (v. 5; 1 Cor. 15:52-53; Eph. 1:3,5)
 - 6. His <u>People</u> (Eph. 2:19)

Connect

- 1. For those of you who are married, what personal gains did you acquire the moment you were pronounced husband and wife?
- 2. Since the Bible describes our relationship with Jesus as a marriage, what personal gains did you acquire the moment you became His bride?

Read Romans 6:1-14

Discuss

- 3. What stands out most to you in this passage?
- 4. Why is it foolish to assume we can keep on sinning after receiving the grace of God?
- 5. What does it mean to be united with Christ? What are some of the "wedding gifts" we receive?
- 6. What does baptism represent? How is it symbolic of our union with Christ?
- 7. How do we go about "considering ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus?" (see v.11-14).

Apply

- 8. Which of the six "wedding gifts" we receive from Jesus currently means the most to you? Why? (His perfection, power, purpose, protection, provision, people)
- 9. While we are positionally unified with Christ right now, we are still in the process of growing our relationship with Him. What might be preventing your relationship with Him from growing in intimacy? What can you decide to do about it?

Pray

10. Have each person share a specific way they can deepen their relationship with Jesus. Pray that God will bless their efforts.