Dying to Live

Ken Chapman · Romans 6:3–11 · Series: **Be Transformed**

INTRODUCTION

- I don't like the new quarters, but that shouldn't surprise you because I hate all change.
- As a Christian, we recognize that some change isn't bad. Some change isn't even good. It's essential. And it's life changing.
- This change is so big we won't call it change, we'll call it transformation, and it's so big we won't even call it transformation, we'll call it dying and being raised again.

1 We Must First Realize a Change Is Needed

Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23; Acts 2

- This transformation is so monumental and so important in our lives that we must first realize that a change is needed.
- So many are living their lives completely unaware that they need to change.
- For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.
- The point of those two and three quarter chapters was to say, you need to change.
- Part of our role in teaching and reaching people is to help them to understand the dire situation that they're in.

2 Baptized Into His Death

Romans 6:3–4; Galatians 3:27; Acts 2:38

- As many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death, therefore we were buried with him through baptism into death.
- That could only take place through Jesus Christ. And that's what your baptism accomplished.
- Every conversion in the book of Acts mentions baptism.
- God did not call us to be theologians. He called us to be disciples.
- It seems to me that's what many people do with baptism. It's there. It's there a lot. It seems important. And so we got to stick it somewhere.

3 There's Results to This Most Glorious Change

Romans 6:1–4

- Somewhere along the line, they had forgotten that a change had taken place.
- I want you to remember that you change. A change took place.
- God's grace is so good, you can't out sin God's grace.
- If God's your co-pilot, you need to switch seats. Because God needs to be the pilot, not the co-pilot.
- The reason he gives is because that's not who you are. That person's dead.

4 Become What You Are

Colossians 3:1; Colossians 2:12

- If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.
- Buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the working of God who raised him from the dead.
- He is saying, become what you are. Become what you are. A transformation took place.
- You went from being dead to being alive. You went from being lost to being found.
- Live like a found person. Live like an alive person.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Do you need to make that change this morning? Or more properly stated, do you need to let God, because that's the only way this change can take place? Let God make that change in your life. Would you do that this morning?**

MY NOTES