



Part 2: “Under New Management”

Introduction

There is a gap that exists between who we want to be and who we actually are—it’s part of the human condition. The apostle Paul says that if we are in Christ, our sin nature has no more power over us... but it still has as much influence over our lives as we choose to give it.

Discussion Questions

1. Have you ever known someone whose life was controlled by outside forces (an addiction, compulsion, financial situation, etc.)? How did it impact their lives?
2. Have you ever experienced a season when you felt like something was controlling you? What was that like?
3. In the message, Samer explained that we have a sin problem not because we’re bad, but because we’re human. If that’s true, how does that affect the way you view other people’s sin? How does it affect the way you view your own sin?
4. Read Romans 6:6–14. What do you think it means to be “set free from sin”?
5. Samer suggested that while sin no longer has power over those who are in Christ, it still has influence over us, and it’s up to us to decide whether we allow it to reign in our lives. In what areas of your life are you most susceptible to giving sin free rein? What are some of the consequences you have experienced from sin ruling in that area?
6. What are some ways you could instill disciplines that would limit the influence of sin in an area where you’re prone to struggle?

Changing Your Mind

“For sin shall no longer be your master, because you are not under the law, but under grace.”

Romans 6:14