



May 21, 2023, Hope of Resurrection

Romans 6:1-14

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



**Pray:** Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Holy God, through Jesus Christ, we have been given endless grace and forgiveness. Make us see this not as an excuse to sin, but as all the more reason to live as you have called us. Amen.



**Read:** Read the key verse from Sunday's reading.

*<sup>12</sup>Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. <sup>13</sup>No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. (Romans 6:12-13)*



**Reflect:** Reflect on the scripture summary.

Paul challenged his congregation to do better. They have been freed from death and sin. They can choose to live like it's true.



**Connect:** Connect in conversation with others in your household.

- What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?
- Does baptism make a difference? Why or why not? Is it transformational or merely symbolic? Explain.
- What does it mean to you that you are dead to sin? How does living as a child of God affect the way you behave in the world?
- For the littles: If you could take a walk with Jesus, would you take him to the park, around a lake, up a mountain, through the city, or through the desert? Why?



**Bless:** Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God grant you forgiveness and grace. Amen.



**Do:** By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Take a long walk. With each step, consider what it means for your life to "walk in newness of life."



**Go Deeper:** Go to [clergystuff.com/daily-devotions](http://clergystuff.com/daily-devotions) for devotions on the daily readings.

Monday, Romans 9:19-29, *God's Wrath and Mercy*

Tuesday, Romans 9:30-33, *Israel's Unbelief*

Wednesday, Romans 10:1-21, *Salvation for All*

Thursday, Romans 12:1-8, *The New Life in Christ*

Friday, Romans 12:9-21, *Marks of the True Christian*

Saturday, Romans 13:1-14, *Love for One Another*