

THE GRACE AWAKENING
GUIDING OTHERS TO FREEDOM
ROMANS 6:15–23



The Heart of the Matter

What a liberating truth is the grace of God! All of us were once hopelessly and helplessly enslaved. By birth, by nature, and by choice, we were dominated by sin. Living under the control of this cruel taskmaster, we were unable, in ourselves, to break the yoke of sin's reign over us . . . *and then came Christ!* In grace, He redeemed believers from the curse of the Law, from obedience to sin, and from the tyranny of pleasing our own flesh. Grace freed us to serve the only good Master, the Lord Jesus Christ. Regrettably, there are some who abuse this freedom. Twisting the principle of grace, they think that if grace super-abounds where sin only abounds, why not sin to the fullest? Paul the apostle addressed this directly in the last nine verses of Romans 6. All of us who are tempted to abuse the marvelous grace of God would be wise to examine and apply the guidelines set forth in this powerful paragraph from God's inerrant Word.



Discovering the Way

1. Wonderful Truths Regarding Freedom

As Christians, we have been set free from the power of sin. Some believers fail to live in that freedom, while others indulge it.

2. Careful Warnings to All Who Are Free (Romans 6:15–23)

We each have to choose whether or not to follow God in all our doings. However, certain events have occurred in the past that should impact how we think about that choice in the present.



Starting Your Journey

Heeding these two reminders will keep us balanced: first, abusing grace stagnates—it causes us to lead others astray, and, second, living in freedom motivates us—it prompts us to let others go.



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