

Discussion and Reflection Question

From Death to Life - Week 1

Read: Romans 6:3-9

³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? ⁴Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.

Discussion & Reflection Questions

1. Have you heard many within the church talk about a Christian approach to death - if so how was it handled?
2. What do you think it means to be baptised in Christ's death?
3. How are you walking in newness of life as a result of your relationship with Jesus?
4. Do you have a fear of death & if so how is that manifest in the way you approach life? What worries you most about dying?
5. What difference does or should a 'sure and certain hope in the resurrection to eternal life' have on the way we approach life?
6. What does Christian freedom look like in practicality and how does it differ from how we see freedom defined in the world we live?

Prayer:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you have given us a sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life, help us to live in that hope, that through our lives we might show what true freedom looks like. Help us not to be afraid of what lies ahead and to be active participants in bringing your kingdom to come on earth as it is in heaven. Thank you that you love us, thank you for forgiveness and thank you for the promise of eternal life. Amen.