What's Your Offer?

Ro 6:12-13

We have moment by moment CHOICE to offer ourselves to our old way of thinking (Residual Sin, Old Sin Patterns that are familiar), or we have a moment by moment CHOICE to offer ourselves to God (Something New). One results in expressing unrighteousness, the other results in expressing righteousness (Even though we had been made righteous by faith).

Thus, the title of my message "What's Your Offer". So today, I want to look at Romans 6:12-23 and expound on our moment by moment choice. The choices we have are:

Choice to –

- 1. Offer Ourselves to Sin
- 2. Offer Ourselves to God

Romans 6:12-13 (NASB)

¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts, 13 and do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.

What is the Gospel?

1 Corinthians 15:3-4 (NASB)

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,

Christ died for our sins (b) Christ was buried (c) Christ was resurrected

The Gospel is God's offer of Spiritual Life to Man

Romans 6:12-13a (NASB)

¹² Therefore **do not let sin reign** in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts, ¹³ and **do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin** *as* instruments of unrighteousness

What sin?

Brothers and Sisters – This sin is residual sin, or old patterns of sin developed from wrong thinking, or self-reliance thinking (In Adam). Those old patterns of sin before salvation (being made right) are still ingrained in our minds. Paul told us that the power of those sins has been broken, don't offer yourselves to them.

Romans 6:16 (NASB)

¹⁶ Do you not know that when you **present** yourselves to someone *as* slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness?

Romans 6:19b (NASB)

¹⁹ I am speaking in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness, resulting in further lawlessness,

Lawlessness – (Webster's) Widespread wrongdoing and a disregard for rules and authority

This is the downward spiral of offering oneself to sin. An unbeliever has no choice and no power **not to sin**. But as a believer we do. But the result is the same – Further Lawlessness, and a further downward spiral and being enslaved to sin.

2 Thessalonians 2:3 (NASB)

³ Let no one in any way deceive you, for *it will not come* unless the apostasy comes first, and the **man of lawlessness** is revealed, the son of destruction,

2 Thessalonians 2:7a (NASB)

⁷ For the **mystery of lawlessness** is already at work;

There is evil and demonic activity operating in the world to keep the **Unsaved** in lawlessness and to keep the **Saved** offering (presenting themselves) to SIN resulting in further lawlessness

Don't offer yourselves to Sin!

Romans 6:13b (NASB)

¹³ but **present** yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members *as* instruments of righteousness to God.

Romans 6:14 (NASB)

¹⁴ For sin shall not be master over you, for you are not under law but under grace.

Romans 6:15 (NASB)

¹⁵ What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? **May it never be!**

Romans 6:17-18 (NASB)

¹⁷ But thanks be to God that though you were **slaves of sin**, you became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸ and having been freed from sin, you **became slaves of righteousness**.

Romans 6:19b (NASB)

¹⁹ so now **present** your members as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification.

Your sanctification – you growing and maturing and being conformed into the image of Christ. This is a moment by moment choice. Offering ourselves to God, or offering ourselves to old sin patterns (that no longer control us).

What's the process here?

- 1. Understanding God's **Unconditional Love** (Grace, New Covenant) God's Approachable
- 2. Offering Ourselves to God as Alive from the Dead (Slaves of Righteousness)
 - a. Renewed Mind
- **3. Dependence** on God (Replacing the old pattern of sin from wrong belief with God's Truth)
- 4. Obedience (Expressing Righteousness, and Holiness)

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"Offer Yourselves to Sin" or

"Offer Yourselves to God"

What's your Choice?