

The Holy Spirit's Filling Ministry

Romans 6:11

- I.** Review:
1. Filling is a work of the Holy Spirit; the Christian does not fill himself (Eph. 5:18).
 2. "Reckoning" is done by the Christian (Rom. 6:11).
 3. The context of Romans 6:11 describes the sin nature as having the potential to dominate the Christian.
 4. The "reckoning," in Romans 6:11, is in response to a sustained attack from the sin nature.
- II.** The passion which comes from the sin nature:
1. Is habitual—"handed over" (Rom. 1:26);
 2. Results in sin acts (Rom. 7:5);
 3. Results in sustained fleshly behavior (1 Thes. 4:5);
 4. The sin nature's passions are to be nailed to the cross, (active voice), by the believer rightly related to the Head (Gal. 5:24).
- III.** The concept of "reckoning" (Rom. 6:11).
1. "Likewise" in the KJV is an adverb meaning "in this manner."
 2. This makes the meaning of "reckon" go back into the context.
 3. When God reckons "He calls things that do not exist as though they are existing . . ." (Rom. 4:17). This is called imputation.
 4. When humans reckon it is only as accurate as the facts it is based upon: *i.e.*, faulty premise verses a promise from God.
 5. What promises are in the context as a basis for reckoning?
 - 1) We, from God's point of view, were immersed into Christ's death, burial, and resurrection (Rom. 6:3-4).
 - 2) The promise that that positional resurrection does not replace our future actual resurrection. Rom. 6:5 "***For this cause since we have been joined with the likeness of His death, contrariwise, indeed, we will be joined in His resurrection.***"
 - 3) The reason for our imputed death is so God can declare us righteous (Rom. 6:6-7).
 - 4) Counting logically our positional death, we are to believe we shall be resurrected and live with Him (Rom. 6:8, 5).
- IV.** "Likewise" in Romans 6:11 means that the Christian, who is under the threat of domination of the sin nature is to reckon like, but not the same as God; he is to count something that does not exist as though it does exist. The bases of our reckoning are our imputed death, burial, and resurrection in Christ and the promise of a future resurrection.