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### **Lesson 107: 2 Samuel 18:1-18 Absalom's Final Battle**

Read James 1:19-21. What one thing does James warn us to be quick to do?

What two things does he caution us to be slow to do? Why? What conclusion does James make from this?

Read Romans 6:1-14. Since God gives us grace when we sin, does that mean we should continue to sin so that His grace may increase?

Being buried with Christ in baptism, what are we walking in?

If we have been united with Christ in His death, what else will we be united with Him in? If you have died to sin, you have also been what? (Verse 7).

Did Christ stay dead?

What does Christ rule over? How many times did Jesus die to sin? Was that enough to cover all our sins? What should not reign in our bodies if we have been put to death with Christ? Who are we to present ourselves to and for what purpose?

Read 1 John 3:8-9. If you make a continual, consistent, unrepentant practice of sinning, who do you belong to?

If you are born of God, what do you not make a practice of?

Read Hebrew 12:1-2. What are we to set aside? What race are we to run? Who are we to look to? From where did we get our faith? Who will complete our faith? Why did Jesus endure the cross? (Hint: what was "set before Him"?) Why did He consider the cross this way?

As you spend time with God today, consider whether your attitude is that of Romans 6, considering that your sin simply allows God's grace to increase and therefore is "no big deal". Ask God to help you to see your sins as they are. Ask Him to help you to make a practice of walking with Him, seeking His will, setting aside the things of the flesh. Thank God today for His Son, who considered it *joy* to endure the cross, so that you might live.