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## **Lesson 96: 2 Samuel 13:23-39 The Sword Upon David's House**

Read Romans 6:12-14. What are we not to let reign in our body?

What are we to present ourselves for? What has no dominion over us when we are covered with Christ?

Read Romans 6:22-23. What is the fruit that we bear when we are slaves to God?

What is the "wage" earned from sin? What is the gift given from God?

Read Romans 5:12-21. How did sin come into the world? What was the consequence for many because of that? What is the contrast that also spread to many?

How is the judgment following the sin different than the free gift following many sins? What was the result of the one sin? What was the result of the one act of pure righteousness? Sin reigned in what? Grace reigns in what?

Stop and consider what a gift that we have in our salvation. We all continue to compound the sin that Adam began. Yet because of His great love for us, God, who was rich in mercy, sent His Son and that one act of pure righteousness made us alive with Him in Christ!

Read Romans 8:1-11. What is not in us if we are in Christ Jesus? What has God done what the law could not do? What requirement did Jesus fulfill for us? When we walk according to the flesh, where is our mind? What relationship does the mind set on the flesh have with God? If we are in Christ, what dwells in us?

As you spend time with God today, consider the seriousness of God's admonition not to let sin reign in our bodies. We are called to be set apart as He sets us apart. When we continue to live in the flesh and seek the things of the flesh, we show that we are not in Him. Ask God to help you to detest the things of the flesh and to pursue righteousness. Ask Him to help you to forgive where you need to forgive and to confess your sin and draw near to Him every day. Ask Him to make your heart's one desire to be holy and set apart for Him, for His glory and for His purpose.