

## 9. Grace-Motivated Obedience — Know Whom You Are Serving

“Set free from sin’s power because a greater power has moved in.”

### My Relationship to Sin

*Sin’s power is broken by Jesus’ transforming power.*

*Sin no longer makes me guilty before God, separated from Him*

- **Confession** is agreeing with God what you and He both know to be true.
- **Repentance** is changing your mind about that sin, mourning its ugliness.
- **Dependence** is relying on the transforming power of Jesus inside for that change to take place.
- **Forgiveness** is God’s continual removal of sin from our account with Him.

### My Daily Choice How to Serve Jesus as His Woman

**Option 1:** *Actively serve my new master Jesus*

- Step 1: View yourself rightly. “I am a child of God who sometimes \_\_\_\_\_.”
- Step 2: Agree with God that \_\_\_\_\_ is sin and doesn’t fit one who is serving Him.
- Step 3: Desire not to \_\_\_\_\_ any longer. “Lord Jesus, please nudge me when I am \_\_\_\_\_. When He does, agree with Him.
- Step 4: Depend on Jesus’ power in you to replace your \_\_\_\_\_ with something better. “Okay, Lord, by faith, I am going to let you do that in my life.”

**Option 2:** *Be passive to my new master; say “yes” to the old master sin.*

#### Romans 6:6-14 (NIV)

**6** For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin — **7** because anyone who has died has been freed from sin.

**8** Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. **9** For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. **10** The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.

**11** In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. **12** Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires. **13** Do not offer the parts of your body to sin, as instruments of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God, as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer the parts of your body to him as instruments of righteousness. **14** For sin shall not be your master, because you are not under law, but under grace.

Having been set free from the power of sin, you can choose to say,

*“Lord Jesus, I am YOUR woman today, tomorrow, and the next day.”*