

Every Man Shall Be Put to Death

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F.B. Meyer emphasizes the necessity of recognizing our spiritual death due to sin, the significance of Christ's atonement, and the call to live a life free from sin's dominion.

Scripture: Genesis 2:17, 2 Kings 14:6, John 3:16, Romans 6:11, Romans 8:1, 2 Corinthians 5:14-15, Galatians 2:20, Ephesians 2:5, Colossians 3:3, Hebrews 9:27

Topics: "New Life in Christ", "Sin and Accountability"

Description

F.B. Meyer emphasizes the gravity of sin and its consequences, stating that every individual is accountable for their own sins as outlined in the law of Moses. He explains that we are spiritually dead in our sins, but through Jesus, we have died for our sins, receiving the imputed righteousness of Christ. Meyer encourages believers to recognize their death to sin, urging them to live in the reality of their new life in Christ, which empowers them to resist temptation and live righteously.

Transcript

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for his own sin. 2 Kings xiv. 6.

SO ran the law of Moses. It forbade the imposition of punishment on the relatives of the wrongdoer, but it had no mercy on him. "The soul that sinneth, it shall die," was the succinct and conclusive verdict of the older law, in this reflecting the spirit and letter of one yet older, which ran, "The day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die."

First, we were dead in our sins. Eph. ii. 5 puts this beyond all doubt. In the sight of God, all who walk according to the course of this world, and obey the prince that now worketh in the children of this world, are dead in trespasses and sins. However much they may be alive as to their souls, they are dead as to their spirits, entirely destitute of the life of God.

Second, we have died for our sins. 2 Cor. v. 14, 15 (R.V.) establishes this fact, and shows that in Jesus, we who believe in Him, are reckoned to have died in Him when He bore our sins in his own body on the tree. In God's estimate, his death is imputed to us; so that we are reckoned as having satisfied, in Jesus, the demands of a broken law. It has no more to ask.

Third, we must die to our sin. Rom. vi. 11. Reckon that you have died, and whenever sin arises, to menace or allure you, point back to the grave, and argue that since you died in Christ, you have passed altogether beyond its jurisdiction, for you have yielded your members as weapons of righteousness unto God. And having been crucified with Christ, you now no longer live, but Christ liveth in you. Let it become your daily habit to place the grave of Jesus between yourself and all allurements of the world, the flesh, and the devil.

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