

A large wooden cross stands on a rocky hill. The sun is setting behind the cross, creating a bright glow and lens flare. The sky is filled with colorful clouds in shades of orange, yellow, and purple.

Our Death to Sin in Christ's Death for Us

Romans 6:1-14

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The Objection

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The legalist stumbles ***over*** grace,
and the licentious run ***with*** it.

The Answer?

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The Main Point

If you belong to Christ, **you died to sin**, meaning that you have been set free from sin's dominion and are no longer subject to its authority or power.



Our Death in Christ's Death

What does it mean to belong to Christ?



Know your beginning!

Romans 5:12

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned.

1 Corinthians 15:21-22

For since by a man came death,
by a man also came the resurrection of the dead.

For as **in Adam** all die,
so also in Christ all will be made alive.

You were born into Adam
and belonged to him as
a member of his race
and participated in his sin.



Know your beginning!

Ephesians 2:1-3

And **you were dead** in your transgressions and sins...

you were sons of disobedience...

...*you were* children of wrath.

But know your God!

But God, being rich in mercy because of His great love with which He loved us, **even when we were dead** in our transgressions, made us alive together **with Christ**—
by grace you have been saved...
(Ephesians 2:4-5)

**So, what does it mean
to belong to Christ?**

It means that He chose you to be His.

Ephesians 1:3-6

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2 Thessalonians 2:13

But we should always give thanks to God for you,
brethren beloved by the Lord, because **God has chosen you
from the beginning** for salvation through sanctification
by the Spirit and faith in the truth.

All start life in Adam's race,
but God chose out of that race a people
whom He gave to His Son as a bride.

And Christ loved her and
redeemed her out of captivity
and made her His own.

The result?

You are not your own!
For you have been bought with a price.
(1 Corinthians 6:19-20)

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**It means that you were united to Him in
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Union with Christ is the central
truth of Christianity!



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**Being united to Him,
we also died to sin.**

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Our Death in Christ's Death

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What does it mean to die to sin?



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Romans 7:1

Or do you not know, brethren...that the law
has jurisdiction over a person **as long as he lives?**

**Death severs relational
and jurisdictional bonds.**

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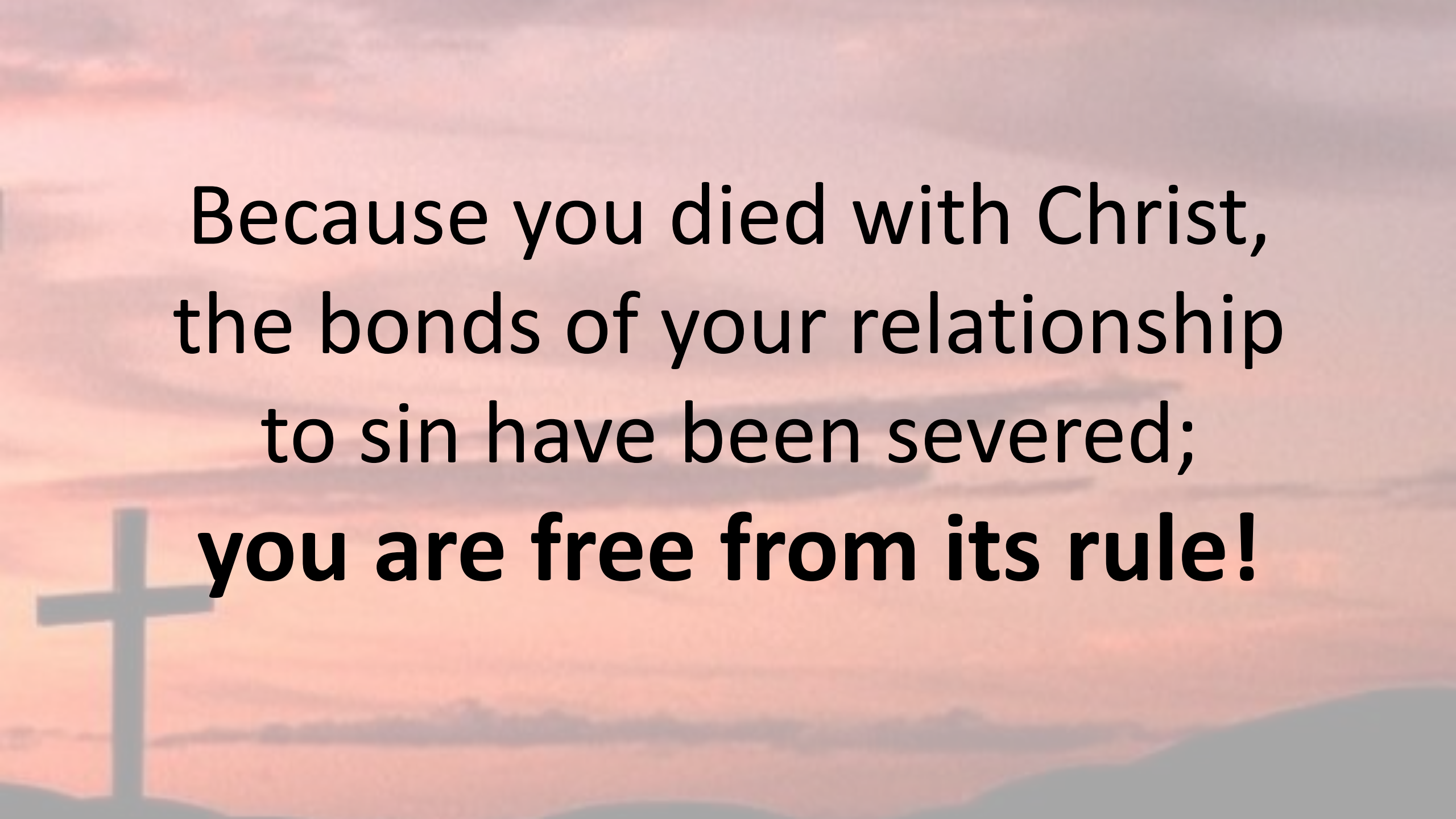
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Living in its jurisdiction.

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Because you died with Christ,
the bonds of your relationship
to sin have been severed;
you are free from its rule!

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Death means that the bonds of your relationship were severed.

**It means that you are no longer subject
to sin's authority or power.**

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you were transferred out from
under its authority and power!



Colossians 1:13-14

Who rescued us **from the authority** of darkness,
and transferred us to the kingdom of the Son
of His love, in whom we have redemption,
the forgiveness of sins.

Our Death in Christ's Death

What does it mean to belong to Christ?

What does it mean to die to sin?

So, why do those in Christ still sin?



Romans 6:2

How shall we who died to sin still live in it?

Why do you go on sinning?

Why do those in Christ still sin?

Because you are still in a body of sin.

Romans 6:5-7

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Your body is *not* inherently sinful and
not to blame for your sin,
yet it is an incitement to temptation
and **your instrument of sin.**



Your instrument of sin.

Romans 6:11-14

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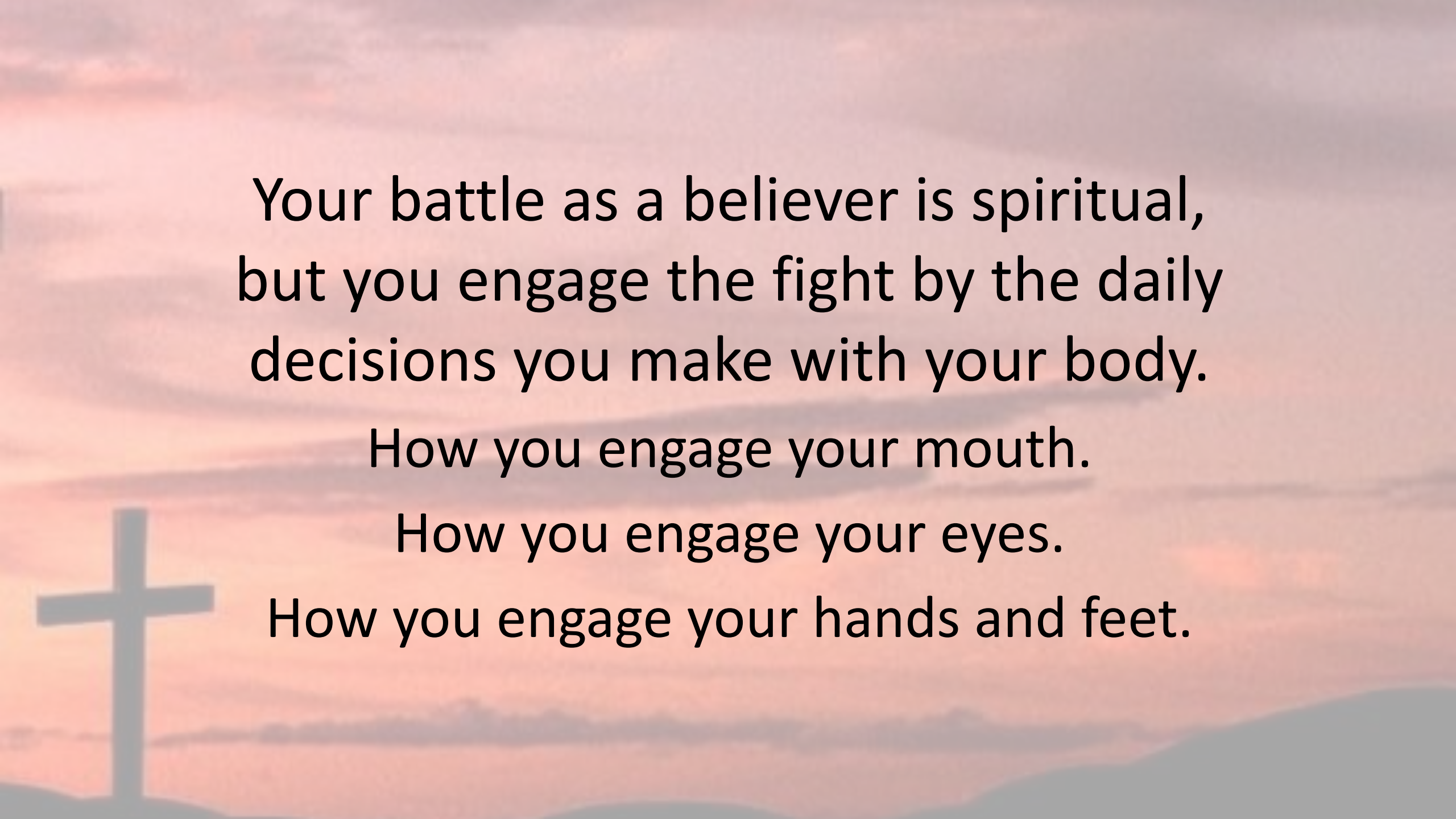
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Your battle as a believer is spiritual,
but you engage the fight by the daily
decisions you make with your body.

How you engage your mouth.

How you engage your eyes.

How you engage your hands and feet.

An incitement to temptation.

2 Corinthians 4:16

Therefore we do not lose heart,
but though **our outer man is decaying**,
yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.

Your body is corrupted by sin
and is susceptible to sickness, injury,
pain, fatigue, hunger, aging, etc.;
and these things are an
incitement to temptation.



Why do those in Christ still sin?

Because you are still in a body of sin.

Because you were conditioned
by a harsh master.

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Sin is a cruel task master that
barks viciously, is never satisfied,
and will never let you rest.

It imprisons!



Romans 7:23

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Christ's death to sin was your
death to sin if you are in Him.

**Stop letting your old
master rule you!**



Behold your King!

He is coming to you, lowly and
mounted on a donkey, and on a colt,
the foal of a pack animal.

He is coming to die for you!