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Death

- The principle of death and denial
  - Saying NO to yourself and to the world, but YES to Christ
  - Romans 6:5-11
Romans 6:5-11 (NASB)

For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection,

knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin;

for he who has died is freed from sin.

Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him,
Romans 6:5-11 – contd.

9 knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, is never to die again; death no longer is master over Him.

10 For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God.

11 Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.
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20 I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

Galatians 6:14 (NASB)

14 But may it never be that I would boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.
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The principle of death and denial

- Saying NO to yourself and to the world, but YES to Christ
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- Galatians 2:20; 6:14
- The Christian life begins and ends with the word **NO!** And Thomas is our example.
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➢ One principle with two applications

1. Moment of our Faith – Turning your back on your own efforts in order to receive God’s efforts on your behalf through the person and work of Jesus Christ – Philippians 3:7-8

2. Our Christian Walk – Life only after death, blessing only after denial (taking up our cross)
   ✓ Saying no to anything contrary to God’s revelation of Himself (the Bible)
   ✓ Saying no to anything that is not the will of God
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Resurrection

- Martha – a troubled believer
  - Her faith attempts to limit God
    - In time – v.21
    - In place – v.21,24
  - She treated the words of Christ impersonally
    - A tremendous promise – v.23
    - We often react with impersonal knowledge – v.24

Spurgeon: “we should have grace to turn God’s bullion . . . into current coin”
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Resurrection

➤ A New Revelation

❖ Jesus chooses to teach, not rebuke
❖ Martha pushed resurrection off
❖ Jesus says wherever I am, there is resurrection and therefore life (physical and spiritual)
❖ Jesus teaches the physical first – v.25
❖ Then, He teaches the spiritual – v.26
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Life

- Death and denial are important but only when coupled with a true understanding of the resurrection that brings life; this is the difference between a joyless Christian and a joyful Christian – Romans 6:5
- Thomas invited others to this death
- Jesus now presses Martha with this “new life” from a greater understanding of the resurrection – “Do you believe this?”
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Application

Have you personally experienced death and denial in your own life?
For salvation?
In your walk?
Do you personally believe that Jesus is the resurrection and the life?
If so, are you experiencing the victorious life that this belief brings to you?