

# “Guardians of God’s Temple”

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Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI

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Romans 6:12-23

**BIG IDEA:** Christ-followers are Guardians of their bodies as the Temple of God.

*“...as those who are alive from the dead, offer yourselves to God, and all the parts of yourselves to God as weapons for righteousness.”  
Romans 6:13b (CSB)*

👉 **Jesus Christ’s Disciples realize, “My body is God’s Temple.”**

👉 **Jesus Christ’s Disciples guard their eyes.**

👉 **Jesus Christ’s Disciples guard their ears.**

👉 **Jesus Christ’s Disciples guard their mouth.**

👉 **Jesus Christ’s Disciples guard their hands.**

👉 **Jesus Christ’s Disciples guard their feet.**

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**Read:** Romans 6:12-23.

**Think:** Take a quick inventory of your body parts, then ask these questions: *When have you felt like you were a slave under the dominance of a “slave driver”? What does the contrast between death and life suggest when it comes to gaining mastery over sinful tendencies in our body? What does the contrast between slave masters suggest when it comes to mastery over sinful tendencies in our bodies? What does Paul have in mind when he refers to offering the parts of our bodies as “weapons for righteousness” and not “weapons for unrighteousness”? How do we offer our eyes, ears, mouths, hands and feet to sin, impurity, and unrighteousness? How do we offer the same parts of our bodies to righteousness and sanctification? How is slavery to Christ freedom from sin?*

**DO:** If you had seen yourself as God’s willing servant this past week, what would have changed in your attitudes and actions? Where do you particularly want to work on this in the coming week? What specifically will you do this week to count yourself dead to sin and alive to Christ; no longer a slave to sin but a slave to Christ?