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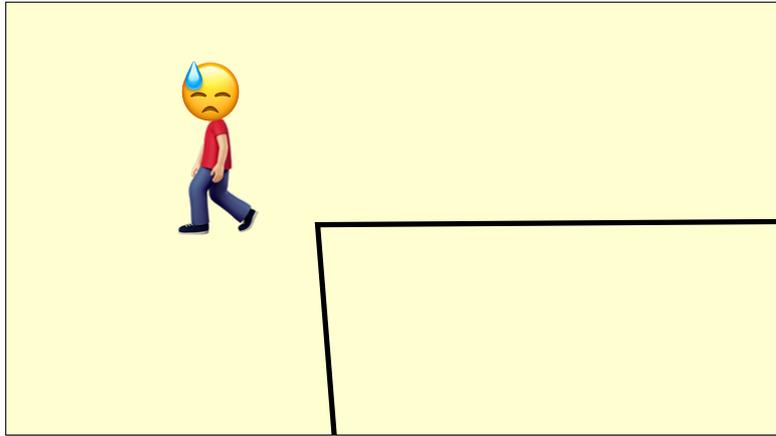
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**rejection of God.
rejection of his Truth.
rejection of his Laws.**

**rebellion against God
denying who he is
denying his reality**

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**WHY DOES IT
MATTER?**



“I don’t have to live by the laws of gravity.”
You’re rejecting the laws of “don’t walk off the cliff.”
But secondly, you’re rejecting the laws of gravity.

And actually if you do that, you’ll just die.
You have to live in reference to gravity. If you reject that, well, you’re going to die. It can only end badly for you.

**sin is the disregard of
God, his truth, his laws**

**and that disregard has
real consequences**

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**God's truth &
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sin leads to death

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**what do you believe?
what do you obey?**

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"So the root of suppressing the knowledge of God is the desire to avoid glorifying and thanking God. Sin does not love to glorify God. Sin does not love to thank God. Sin hates glorifying God and thanking God. "

They did not approve to have God in their knowledge." The truth of God comes to them from every direction and they feel, "I don't approve of you! I don't want you. I don't like you. I will not let you in as part of my knowledge."

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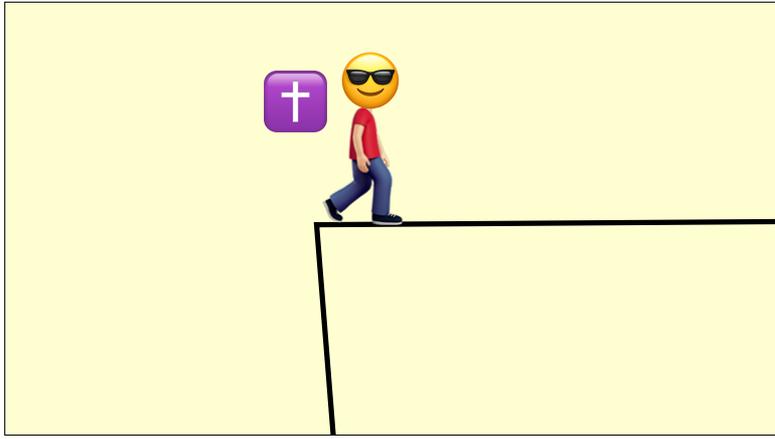
**CHRIST
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Jesus' Sacrifice
Jesus' Resurrection

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Since we have been united with him in his death, we will also be raised to life as he was. We know that our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ so that sin might lose its power in our lives. We are no longer slaves to sin. **For when we died with Christ we were set free from the power of sin.** And since we died with Christ, we know we will also live with him. We are sure of this because Christ was raised from the dead, and he will never die again. **Death no longer has any power over him. When he died, he died once to break the power of sin. But now that he lives, he lives for the glory of God. So you also should consider yourselves to be dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus.**

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Why reject God?

You know his love & acceptance!

Why reject his truth?

You know his victory!

Why reject his reality?

He lives!!

**Sin no more :
Open your eyes
Stop denying God**

See God's desires
See God's plans
See God's heart
See God's victory

Do not let sin control the way you live; do not give in to sinful desires. Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God, for you were dead, but now you have new life. So use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God. Sin is no longer your master, for you no longer live under the requirements of the law. Instead, you live under the freedom of God's grace.

Romans 6:12-14

