SUNDAY MORNING – Pastor P. van der Hoek April 21, 2024

Pre-service Psalter 90:1,3 ** Silent Congregational Prayer Votum and Salutation Psalter 126:1-2,5 ** Reading of the Law: Exodus 20 Psalter 101:4-5 ** Scripture Reading: Romans 6:1-14 Congregational Prayer Offerings for the Lord's service (2 collections) Psalter 81 ** Text: Romans 6:11 Theme: Counting on Christ's Work 1. Consider your Union with Christ 2. Consider your Death to Sin 3. Consider your Living for God 4. Consider your Life through Christ Prayer Psalter 242 ** Benediction Doxology: "Praise God..." ** ** Please stand if you are able

2. What does it mean that a believer is united to the Lord Jesus? To what stages of Christ's work is the believer united? And how can we be united?

- 3. What does it mean to *reckon* with this? What is the negative and positive side of this reckoning? How does this become very personal and practical?
- 4. What makes this reckoning powerful and liberating? What are you called to do if you are not united to Christ?

5. * Do you remember from the examples and stories what it means to reckon with the work of Christ? *

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

1. What light does the context shed on this verse? What was Paul's responding to?

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- 1. Are we never allowed to kill? Are we allowed to kill during war? When can war be called a just war?
- 2. What does the Bible teach about defending ourselves and the use of weapons?
- 3. What makes Saul's death so tragic? In what ways does it help us to understand current issues like euthanasia and suicide better?
- 4. Why did David have the Amalekite killed? Was that a sin against the sixth commandment?
- 5. How is David's mourning of Saul and Jonathan connected to living out the sixth commandment?
- 6. In what ways does the history lead us to consider the beauty and glory of Christ?
- 7. * How did Saul sin against the sixth commandment? How did David uphold the sixth commandment? Why do we need Christ to keep the sixth commandment? *