



Rock Point Church

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**Big Idea: God's personal love compels my public declaration.**

**Romans 6:1-5 (NLT)**

<sup>1</sup> Well then, should we keep on sinning so that God can show us more and more of his wonderful grace? <sup>2</sup> Of course not! Since we have died to sin, how can we continue to live in it? <sup>3</sup> Or have you forgotten that when we were joined with Christ Jesus in baptism, we joined him in his death? <sup>4</sup> For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives. <sup>5</sup> Since we have been united with him in his death, we will also be raised to life as he was.

**Song of Solomon 8:6-7 (NLT)**

<sup>6</sup> Place me like a seal over your heart,  
like a seal on your arm.  
For love is as strong as death,  
its jealousy as enduring as the grave.

Love flashes like fire,  
the brightest kind of flame.

<sup>7</sup> Many waters cannot quench love,  
nor can rivers drown it.

If a man tried to buy love  
with all his wealth,  
his offer would be utterly scorned.

- God's love is secure, so live assured.
- God's love is fierce, so give Him your fullest.

"One act of obedience is better than a hundred sermons." —  
Dietrich Bonhoeffer

What do I need to leave in the water?

- God's love is unstoppable, so trust it as unshakable.

"Aim at heaven and you'll get earth thrown in; aim at earth and  
you'll get neither." — C. S. Lewis

"I am baptized!" — Martin Luther

What is my Anchor?

**GROUPS QUESTIONS:**

1. What stood out to you most in this week's message, and why?
2. Read Romans 6:3—What stands out to you about how baptism identifies us with Jesus' death and resurrection?
3. How would you explain the difference between baptism as a step of obedience and the misunderstanding that it somehow "saves" a person? Why do you think so many people misunderstand the purpose of baptism?
4. In Song of Solomon 8:6–7, love is described as priceless and unable to be bought. How does this image challenge the way our culture often views love and commitment?
5. Baptism is described as "leaving the old in the water" and stepping into new life. What are some old ways of living that God's love has helped you leave behind, or that you're still asking Him to help you leave behind?
6. Song of Solomon 8:7 says many waters cannot quench love. Read Romans 8:38–39. How does knowing God's love cannot be drowned or bought strengthen you to stand firm in seasons of trial?
7. Think about Dietrich Bonhoeffer's words: "One act of obedience is better than a hundred sermons." What's one area of your life where a single act of obedience might speak louder than anything you say?