

Dead to Sin, Alive to God

Discover the **Power of Reckoning** to Set You Free in Christ

STUART C. SMITH

If you have been born again through faith in Jesus Christ, now reckon yourself dead to sin and alive to God in Christ! Learn to think about your “new self” in Christ as God does.

With a pastor’s heart, Stuart C. Smith explains why the key to New Covenant sanctification is the important concept of biblical reckoning. Obedience to Paul’s command in Romans 6:11 can transform your life.

Reckoning is not something to do but something to *think*. So powerful is this thought that it inevitably leads to action. Learn how to overcome the power of sin by a stronger power and the desire to sin by a stronger desire—adoration of Jesus Christ.

Bring your thinking in line with your identity. You are a new creation in Christ, a saint, an adopted child of God, and victor over Satan. Learn about the Father’s passion for you, and seek to satisfy his passion for a holy and pure bride for his Son.

Midway through the book, these principles come alive in the experience of Cody, a young man who leaves his troubled past for a new life of freedom in Christ.

“*Dead to Sin, Alive to God* wisely offers essential truths for living in the grace and power of God through Jesus Christ. I highly recommend it to anyone who wants to learn about the liberation found in the Gospel.”

—DOUGLAS GROOTHUIS, Author; Professor of Philosophy, Denver Seminary

“Smith introduces us to the Biblical principle of ‘reckoning’ ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in an engaging, thoughtful, and joyous style.”

—RICHARD BESWICK, Director, University Christian Fellowship, University of Oregon

“Stuart’s work is both a scholarly and understandable presentation of what it means to know, accept, and apply the truth of reckoning, and ultimately realize that a victorious walk is not doing, but thinking God’s way.”

—FRANK CARPENTER, Pastor; Church Relations Director for Center for Arizona Policy

“I was raised in the church and exposed to in-depth theology from a young age, yet the straightforward and practical approach of this book made new to me the peace and freedom found in God’s truth.”

—JOHNNY WILLIAMZ, musician

“This is a book that will be read, cherished, and taught from by the newest of believers to the most mature of saints. Smith has taken a tough to teach subject—sanctification—and presented it in a way that is easy to read, easy to understand, and supported by scripture.”

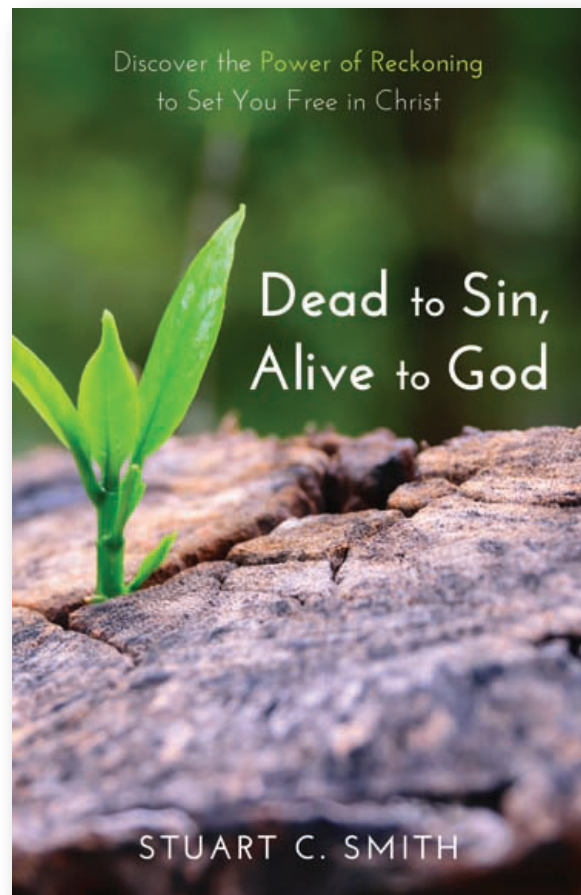
—KENNY SMITH, LifeGenChurch Pastor, Life Bible Church

“A truly liberating experience.”

—BENJAMIN ANDERSON

“Through this book, I rediscovered: (1) God’s tender heart towards me, (2) my role in aggressively enforcing what God says, and (3) the pleasure that flows from a life increasingly surrendered to God’s benevolence and sovereignty.”

—JINOO HWANG, Attorney & Counselor at Law



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