

WE ARE CONVINCED



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All the major translations agree: -**"because we have concluded this"** –ESV; **"because we are convinced"** –NIV; "having concluded this" – NAS; **"because we thus judge"** –KJV

- What is the reason that Christ's love compels or doesn't compel you?
- What has or hasn't convinced you of the supreme sacrifice of Jesus?

**II. Christ's love
compels those who are
convinced that we died
with Him (v.14).**



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- **What behaviors will help you to be convinced that you have died with Christ?**
- **What behaviors will follow your assurance that you have died with Christ?**

III. Christ died so that we would live for Him and not for ourselves (v.15).



- **What does this verse say about the effect of the death of Christ on selfish lives?**
- **How can our selfless example better honor the One who died for us?**

**IV. If we believe this,
we do not value people
on a worldly scale
(v.16).**



- **When Christ has convinced us, how do we view and value the world around us?**
- **How do our actions betray the level of our spiritual conviction?**

**V. We are convinced
and conclude that
everything is new in
Christ (v.17).**



- **What does this perspective have to do with past failures or glories?**
- **How well are we living in the present for the future?**

Call to Action: To do those things that fully convince us that Jesus died for us.



- Are you fully convinced that Jesus died for you?
- What are you doing to help to grow in that conviction?
- How is the sacrifice of Jesus moving you to be more selfless?
- Are you living like everything is new in Christ?

-How can we help?