Three questions to consider in this passage of scripture:

1. Shall we continue in sin...? Romans 6:1
   Now that we have been justified by faith, (not going to be), shall we continue to live under the domination of our old sinful nature? Romans 6:14

2. How shall we ...live any longer therein? Romans 6:2
   Is it possible for a Christian to live in the flesh?

3. Know ye not...that we were baptized into his death? Romans 6:3
   Herein lies the key to understanding the Christian life. This is not speaking about water baptism. This is Holy Spirit baptism, which places us into the body of Christ, of which water baptism is a picture.

These truths are also known as the identification truths.

I. WHY “...We should walk in the newness of life.” Romans 6:3-5
   a. Because we were baptized into Christ’ death (crucified with him). Romans 6:3 and Gal. 2:20
   b. Because we were buried with him. Romans 6:4
   c. Because we were raised up from the dead in Christ. Romans 6:4

   This was your death, burial, and resurrection.

   Positional truths

   On the cross the old man died
   D A old man is in sin.
   E A old man is in the flesh.
   T A old man is under the law.
   H A old man is under the grace.
   Rom. 6:14

   In the resurrection the new man arose
   D A Christian is in righteousness.
   E A Christian is in the Spirit.
   T Rom. 8:9
   H A Christian is under grace.
   Rom. 6:14

   d. When we were lost we were dead in sin (meaning separated from God). Now that we are saved, we are dead to sin (meaning separated from the nature and dominion of sin).
   e. A Christian cannot live in the flesh, but may walk after the flesh only by choice. Romans 8:5, 8,9,12,13, Gal. 5:25

II. WHY “...We should not serve sin.” Romans 6:6-10
   a. If we were in the likeness of his death, and
   b. If we were in the likeness of his resurrection, then
   c. We should be in the likeness of his life (without sin’s dominion)