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Romans 6:23 is a verse that every believer should commit to memorization. It says, *"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."* 

This verse is used frequently in witnessing to an unsaved person so as to lead them to salvation in Jesus. It can also be an encouragement to the believer knowing he has eternal life in Christ.

The death spoke of in this verse is not a physical death, rather a spiritual condition of death which is separation forever from God, without hope of escaping eternal torment.

The eternal life through Christ is our glorious state of being in His grace and presence forever, even beyond this life on earth. It is God's free gift to us which is given through Jesus Christ.

This gift is free when we believe by faith upon Jesus. Although it is free to obtain this salvation, it can be costly to live it out in this temporary world. We come under the attack of forces from darkness during our season of flesh on this planet. Trials, tests, hardships, and various manners of adversity come our way, but the eternal reward far outweighs all these adversities in this short life of 60 to 100 years.

We praise God for this eternal future. Father God will preserve us and bring us to completion according to His plan and His grace (favor). In Him and Christ we have our being.