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2) The Believer's _____ With _____ - v.20

v.20 - _____ means to be _____ or placed _____. Romans 6:3 says that all believers have been _____ spiritually into _____, so that whatever _____ to _____, counts as if it _____ to _____. (death, burial, resurrection)

III. Two _____ of _____ - v.20b-21

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v.20 - Since believers "_____ with _____" they also _____ from the _____ with Christ to live a _____ of life that is _____ by His _____ living _____ us. (Romans 8:1-4)

2) _____ on the power of Christ - v.20c

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