

A Better Master

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Romans 6:15-23

What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace?

By no means! 16 Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? 17 But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, 18 and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. 19 I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification. 20 For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. 21 But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. 22 But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

I. _____ has a _____.

II. Everyone is being _____ by _____.

III. Jesus is a _____.

- A better master Who has _____.
- A better master Who now _____.
- A better master Who _____.
- A better master Who has _____.
- A better master Who _____.
- A better master Who _____.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What would you say was your "master" before you fully surrendered to Jesus Christ? How did it control your decisions and behavior?
2. Share with one another how God and His Word have molded and reshaped your life.
3. In what ways do you feel the pressure of the world trying to influence you?
4. Is there a sin today that is mastering you, controlling your thoughts or actions?
5. How do you view the idea that forsaking sin is an act of worship? Do you see resisting temptation as an opportunity to worship God?
6. What does it personally mean to you that Jesus Christ is your master?

Next Week:

"The Second Marriage" (Romans 7:1-6)