

Questions for Personal Study or Group Discussion

Open

- Have you worked for a boss who seemed like a “slave driver?” Why?

Read

- Romans 6:15-23

Observe

- How is the question in verse 15 another attempt to misuse Paul’s teaching on grace (see also verse 1)?
- Compare Paul’s image of death in verses 1-14 with his image of slavery in verses 15-23. What is similar or different in the points he makes in each case?
- What are the costs and benefits of each type of slavery described here?
- How is slavery to Christ freedom from sin? What does that mean for us *practically*?

Apply

- What modern-day image (in music, sports, art, etc.) illustrates Paul’s point that submission to a good “master” leads to freedom?
- How would seeing yourself as God’s willing servant have made a difference in your actions and attitudes over the past week? Where do you want to practice this in the coming week?

Prayer

- *Give thanks* to God for freeing you from sin and making you his own.
- *Declare* your submission to him as Lord and Master.