

SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

Slaves To Righteousness | Romans 6:15-23

WORSHIP

How can your discipleship group start with worship today?

WALK

Spend time understanding and applying God's Word.

1. REVIEW + UNDERSTAND

IN CHRIST, I'M A SLAVE TO RIGHTEOUSNESS; RECKON IT TRUE AND LIVE IT TOO.

1. Read Matthew 6:24. What do both passages assume about our lives? How are Jesus and Paul calling attention to the importance of our choices, while also emphasizing that the authority in our lives is never us?
2. You can see that Paul qualifies the phrase "slaves of righteousness" by saying he is speaking in human terms. Why is it important to keep in mind that obedience is something we are pursuing "from the heart"?
3. What role does "the standard of teaching" play in the kind of transformation Paul is describing?
4. Why is it important that "eternal life in Christ Jesus" is not just about a quantity of life for the follower, but is even more about a quality of life?

2. ASSESS + APPLY

1. Read Galatians 5:16-24. Where is God focusing your attention as you read the passage? What is an area of your life where you are still pursuing obedience to sin? What is an area of your life where you have already experienced transformation? What is an area of your life where God is calling you to greater obedience to righteousness?
2. How do you pursue "obedience from the heart" as opposed to disgruntled effort? How do the two approaches feel different? What kind of results does each tend to produce?
3. What is something specific you are looking forward to about complete sanctification and eternal life?

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LOOKING AHEAD

Read next week's passage and ask: What does it say? What does it mean? How should I respond?

Romans 7:1-6

WORK

How should this message affect how you serve one another?

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WITNESS

How should this message affect how you share the Gospel?

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