

Romans 6:15-16; 22-23

¹⁵ What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? May it never be! 16 Do you not know that when you present yourselves to someone as slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness? ²² But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in sanctification, and the outcome, eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Focal Truth:

God's people must live in obedience to God.

God's people must willingly obey God, not sin.

Do you not know that when you present yourselves to someone as slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness? Rom. 6:16

...and do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. Rom. 6:13

2. God's people are free from sin's slavery.

But thanks be to God that though you were slaves of sin, you became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching to which you were committed, and having been freed from sin, you became slaves of righteousness. Rom. 6:17-18

For sin shall not be master over you, for you are not under law but under grace. Rom. 6:14

3. Slavery to sin leads deeper into unholy living.

I am speaking in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness, resulting in further lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification. For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. Therefore what benefit were you then deriving from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the outcome of those things is death. Rom 6:19-21

Gal. 5:19

4. Obedience to God leads deeper into holy living.

But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in sanctification, and the outcome, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Rom. 6:22-23

For this is the will of God, your sanctification; that is, that you abstain from sexual immorality; For God has not called us for the purpose of impurity, but in sanctification. 1 Thess. 4:3,7

Daily Use:

- Obey God live in freedom from sin.
- Decide to live God's way, not sin's way.
- Live as a slave to Christ.
 Col. 3:24; Eph. 6:6

