



## Sermon Discussion Questions

### "United with Christ and Set Free"

Romans 6:15-23

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Opener:

What struck you most in last Sunday's sermon? Elaborate.

Who was your first "boss"? Was this person easy to work for, or the opposite?

Questions: [The following questions are meant to supplement the sermon, to offer further points of interaction with the selected text. Feel free to ask your group your own questions regarding the sermon or text.]

1. If Paul were around today, what might he say enslaves our society? What about the Christian community?
2. What are the two choices we have to "serve" (vv 16-18)?
3. What is the result of slavery to sin?
4. What is the benefit of slavery to God and its result?

Application:

5. How would you use this passage to respond to someone that said to you the following:  
*I don't care for Christianity because it doesn't support my own freedom?*
6. Feel free to offer to your group any sins from which you are particularly grappling to free yourself (remembering that others in your group have grappled in similar ways).

Everyone is a slave to something: How will remembering this help you at all the next time sin tempts you?

7. In your struggle against sin, what other assurances do you take from this passage or from your group's *common fight* against sin?

Take some time to pray in your group. Pray the words "come Holy Spirit." Trust that a greater sense of his presence will be ushered in when two or more are gathered in his name. Then ask God to show you what sins from which you have grown more free. Pray that this week you would know his power anew as you, both individually and as a group, face the remaining sin in your life; trust that he will answer your prayer.

\*These questions were adapted from *The NIV Quiet Time Bible* (InterVarsity, 1996) and *The Serendipity Bible for Groups* (Zondervan, 1998).