

“Wine and Milk Without Money”—Part Two
“New Slavery—No Shame”
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☒ **All because of the book of Romans:**

- ▼ Story #1—_____
- ▼ Story #2—_____
- ▼ Story #3—_____
- ▼ F. F. Bruce: “There is no telling what may happen when people begin to study the Epistle to the Romans. What happened to Augustine, Luther, [and] Wesley . . . launched great spiritual movements which have left their mark in the world history. But similar things have happened, much more frequently, to very ordinary people as the words of this Epistle came home to them with power. *So, let those who have read thus far be prepared for the consequences of reading further: you have been warned!*” (*The Epistle of Paul to the Romans* 60, emphasis supplied)

☒ **Romans 1:1—*Paulos doulos Christou Iesou.***

- ▼ “Dear _____ but soon-to-be _____ in Rome:
I am _____, a _____ of Christ Jesus.”
- ▼ Are you?

☒ **What does it mean to be a slave?**

- ▼ To be a slave means you have a _____ .
- ▼ Slaves are people who are _____ and _____ by someone else.
- ▼ So who is your master?
 - Paul’s appeal in Romans 6:16.
 - Jesus’ appeal in Matthew 6:24
 - Elijah’s appeal in I Kings 18:21

- ▼ You cannot ____ be a slave —you cannot ____ have a master—all you can do is choose which ____ .

☒ How shall we live?

- ▼ Henri Nouwen: “We might think about ourselves as converted slaves who continue to live in this world . . .” “To be in the world without being of the world, to use the tactics of the world in the service of the Kingdom, to respond to people with wealth in a fearless way, convinced that you have more to offer than to receive, to plead for the poor in ways that the rich can understand, to carry the Gospel in one hand, a stick in the other . . . all of that is part of Paul’s militant servanthood. It is also part of our common journey home.” (*Sabbatical Journey* 13)
- ▼ Look how living as slave of Christ Jesus can radically infect your life:
 - #1—It will settle your personal _____ issues.
 - ▼ Romans 1:6, 7
 - ▼ Revelation 14:12
 - #2—It will settle your public _____ issues.
 - ▼ L. E. Maxwell: “We insist that the great lack today is a mighty liberation through an inner crucifixion which will give us holy carefreeness . . . Now spiritual boldness is simply unembarrassed freedom of speech.” (*Embraced by the Cross* 206)
 - #3—It will settle your private _____ issues.
 - ▼ Calvary invites us: “Cast all your cares upon him, for he cares for you.”

**“Make me a captive, Lord,
and then I shall be free.”**

George Matheson

Augustine, Martin Luther, John Wesley, strangers, friends, Paul, slave, master, purchased, possessed, *not, not*, one, loyalty, timidity, anxiety