

Born A Slave And Now Free To Serve

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"But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life" (Romans 6:22).

Born a Slave

Everybody was born a slave. I am (almost) sorry to have to break the news to you. The only way anyone can be set free from enslavement to sin is to become a servant of God.

Nobody wants to be enslaved. Ask the countless people who have been subjugated, marginalized, abused, and tortured. Consider lives lost so evil men could build economic dynasties on the backs of innocent people just wanting to live in peace.

Nobody wants to be enslaved. Ask the countless people who feel helpless under the power of the liquor bottle, drug needle, lustful encounters, unforgiving feelings, or prideful thoughts. Consider lives and souls lost while Satan took satisfaction in destroying those for whom His enemy, Jesus, died.

When the Lord delivers us from Satan's enslavement, He frees us to serve God with all our hearts. In the process holiness, joy, love, inner peace, and everlasting life result. So, it pays to serve Jesus, who delivers every willing person from sin. While we were born slaves, everybody can seize the opportunity to be delivered and reborn into a holy life with God. Avail yourself of that opportunity.