

Sermon Notes, Sunday Evening, March 28, 2010
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The Basis For All True Christian Beliefs
Freedom To Be Servants
(Romans 6:15-23)

I. Argument (v. 15)

- A. We are not to practice Legalism (Acts 15)
- B. We are not to practice Lawlessness (Rom 6:1; Jude 4)

II. Appeal (vv. 16-18)

- A. We were Servants of Corruption in the Past (v. 16)
 - 1. Restrained by Sin (John 8:34)
 - 2. Resulting in Death (Rom 5:12)
- B. We are Servants of Christ in the Present (v. 17; Ex 7:16)
 - 1. Converted by Gospel (Jn 8:31-32; Col 1:13; Heb 2:14-15; Eph 2:19)
 - 2. Controlled by Godliness (2Cor 5:15; Rom 1:1; Phil 1:1, 2:13)

III. Appraisal (vv. 19-23)

- A. Benefits of Wickedness
 - 1. Depravity (v. 19-20; Rom 1:28)
 - 2. Disgrace (v. 21a; Phil 3:18-19)
 - 3. Death (v. 21b; 23a)
- B. Benefits of Righteousness
 - 1. Holiness (v. 22a; Titus 2:11-14)
 - 2. Hope (v. 22b; 1Jn 3:2-3)
 - 3. Heaven (v. 23b; 1Pet 1:3-4)