

1 Timothy LESSON 31

Read Chapter 6 Verses 1-2

¹ All who are under the yoke as slaves are to regard their own masters as worthy of all honor so that the name of God and our doctrine will not be spoken against.

1. What do we know about slavery in Roman history
2. By the use of “*as many as are under the yoke as bondservants.*” What is Paul describing as the conditions of this slavery?
3. Should a Christian slave owner function harshly in this way?
4. How is a Christian slave to regard his slave owner/master?
5. As Christians we have a much different view of human relationships. What does this verse tell us about what our view should be?

² Those who have believers as their masters must not be disrespectful to them because they are brethren, but must serve them all the more, because those who partake of the benefit are believers and beloved. Teach and preach these principles.

6. Would a Christian slave have a tendency to presume on his Christian master for better treatment?
7. How difficult would it be for a slave master, after becoming a believer, to rethink his role as master?
8. How difficult would it be for a slave, after becoming a believer, to rethink his role as slave?
9. Why are they to do this?
10. How does the word “benefit” play out here?
11. Describe the difference between the slave master in the Old Testament and the New Testament?
12. Discuss the phrase “teach and preach these principles”?