

# Bible Backgrounds: Servitude

"Whoever steals a man and sells him, and anyone found in possession of him, shall be put to death." Exodus 21:16 (English Standard Version)

Philippians 3:20 - Do we see the \_\_\_\_\_ as the original readers did?

## Does The Bible Approve Of Slavery?

- A. Exodus 1:13,14 - The Israelites' lives were made \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ service. They were treated \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. A broad range of meanings:
1. Genesis 39:1 - Potiphar \_\_\_\_\_ Joseph to become his \_\_\_\_\_. This looks like \_\_\_\_\_ slavery.
  2. Exodus 21:16 - Those who \_\_\_\_\_ other people were to be put to \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. Joshua 9:27 - The Gibeonites \_\_\_\_\_ Israel by doing tasks that were \_\_\_\_\_.
  4. Deuteronomy 15:12-17 - God commanded that \_\_\_\_\_ who served them were to be treated with \_\_\_\_\_.
  5. Deuteronomy 23:15,16 - \_\_\_\_\_ slaves were not to be \_\_\_\_\_ to their masters, but given \_\_\_\_\_.  
Alexander: "This extraordinary law is \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ world."
- C. God never \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ slavery.

## Christ's Effects On Servitude

- A. Servitude didn't come to an \_\_\_\_\_ after Christ, but people were called on to view it \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Christian expectations of servants and masters:
1. 1 Corinthians 7:20-22 - Slaves were as \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord, and masters were as \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.
  2. Colossians 3:22 - 4:1 - Both servants and masters were to remember that they \_\_\_\_\_ the same \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. Philemon 15,16 - Philemon now had Onesimus back \_\_\_\_\_, now as a beloved \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Galatians 3:28 - Distinctions \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ. We are all \_\_\_\_\_ in Him.

Luke 22:26,27 - Jesus provided a radical \_\_\_\_\_ of greatness. He came "as one who \_\_\_\_\_".

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