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Comfortable in Our Bondage

"You have made us abhorrent in the sight of Pharaoh and in the sight of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to kill us."

-Exodus 5:21b

It is possible for people to become so accustomed to their bondage that they resist efforts to free them. The Hebrews had been slaves in Egypt for four hundred years. Slavery meant that they were not free to do God's will or to go where they wanted. Moses had come to tell the Israelites how they could experience freedom, yet they were more concerned about the reaction of their taskmasters than they were about pleasing God. For them to be free would mean that the pharaoh they were serving would be angry! It would mean that the Egyptians they had served all their lives might attack them. Freedom from their slavery did not seem to be worth the hardships they would inevitably endure.

When God sets out to free us, there will often be a price we will have to pay. Grief can be a terrible form of bondage, yet we can become comfortable with it. We can grow so comfortable with fear that we don't know how to live without it. As destructive as our sinful habits and lifestyle might be, we may prefer living with the familiar,

rather than being freed to experience the unknown. We may recognize the harmful influence of a friend but choose to reject God's will rather than offend our friend.

As incredible as it seems, the Israelites were angry at Moses for disrupting the life of slavery to which they had grown accustomed. Have you been lulled into a comfortable relationship with your bondage? Do you fear change more than you fear God? Are you willing to allow God to do what is necessary in order to free you?

Henry T. Blackaby and Richard Blackaby, <u>Experiencing God Day by</u> <u>Day</u> (Nashville, TN: B&H Books, 1998).

Father's Day

Blessed is the

man that trusteth

in the Lord. Jeremiah 17:7 Health Kits for ABC Hispanic
Ministry are due to the A-H Baptist
Association Office by Thursday,
June 26 before 2:00pm.
Items needed for each bag:
1 bath towel-dark color, 1 wash
cloth-dark color, 1 bar of soap, 1
tooth brush, 1 tooth paste (6 oz
size), 1 hair comb or brush. Place
these 6 items in a 2 gallon size
zipper bag or bring to the church
Office and we will bag them for
you.

These will be used for the Seafarers Ministry, Disaster Relief and Migrant Ministry.

John 3:16

16"For God so loved the world, that
He gave His only Son, so that
everyone who believes in Him
will not perish, but have eternal life.

OUR RECORD SPEAKS 6/08/25

Enrollment/Attendance	37/22
Morning Worship	65
Janie Chapman	10.00
Budget Offering	2045.00
Budget Needs (weekly	4339.00

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 6/15 Coffee & Christ	9:00am 10:00am 11:00am
Tuesday, 6/17 Handbells	6:00pm
Wednesday, 6/18 Children's Choir	6:30pm
Prayer and Bible Study	6:30pm

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