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# **Slaves of Righteousness**

And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness.

-Romans 6:18

Before you were a Christian you were a slave, in bondage to sin. Even when you did not want to sin, you were unable to do otherwise (Rom. 7:15–24). When God saved you, He freed you from sin, but you remained a slave. Now, rather than being bound to sin, you are bound to righteousness. In every area of your life you are obligated to do what honors God.

There are some who believe that when Christ sets them free, they are free to do whatever they want. That is not so. The apostle Paul realized that when he began following Christ he became a "bondservant" of Christ, and his life was no longer his own (Rom. 1:1). Now, rather than being enslaved to sin, he was enslaved to God and His righteousness. When people mistreated him, he had forfeited the right to respond from his natural feelings but was compelled to offer a righteous response. When he was tempted, he was no longer free to succumb to his feelings. Paul could not enter the workplace and act selfishly. He understood that, as a

slave of righteousness, he was obligated to live a holy life, honoring his Master.

Righteous living is not an option for a Christian. Nor is it something we must try to do over time. It is an obligation, mandatory for every child of God. Our freedom in Christ is not freedom to do what we want. It is freedom to live righteously, something we could not do when we were in bondage to sin. Now that we are free to live righteously, we must allow the Holy Spirit to produce in us a holy, sanctified life (1 John 3:7).

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

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Associational Children's Camp at Camp Jackson July 28-30, 2025 DEADLINE TO REGISTER -JULY 15TH Contact Rev. Tim Minchey @ 803-942-0830 or Crystal Sparks @ 803-942-2658 NO LATER THAN JULY 15TH DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING



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11th \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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<b>OUR RECORD SPEAKS</b>	6/29/25
<b>Enrollment/Attendance</b>	37/25
Morning Worship	62
J.D. Chapman	11.00
Budget Offering	2867.57
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## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday, 7/6	
Coffee & Christ	9:00am
Sunday School	10:00am
Morning Worship	11:00am
Deacon's Meeting	12:00pm
-No Evening Worship-	•
Tuesday, 7/8	
Handbells	6:00pm
Wednesday, 7/9	
Children's Choir	6:30pm
Prayer and Bible Study	6:30pm
Choir Practice	7:30pm

# **SERVANTS** July 6, 2025

**Tellers** Gordon Kearse, Ryne Paschell

Lord's Prayer Jonathan Wiley

**Church Monitor** Neal Shramek

Greeters Charles Carlson, Neal Shramek

**Ushers** Charles Carlson, David Wiley

> **Nursery** Cindy