Lesson 05 - Mastering Obedience

FTWTF means: Find The Word That Fits

Across

2. In modern terms, that means do the work you do for your parents, your ____, your boss, - whoever it is - as if you were doing it for Christ. Kind of puts a new slant on whatever it is you hate doing most, doesn't it?

5. "Obey your ____ masters with . . . sincerity of heart," wrote Paul (Ephesians 6:5, NIV). Sincerity of heart. That means honestly. Genuinely. Because you mean it, not just because you have to.

6. Since ____ is no longer legal anywhere in the world, you might be tempted to just skip over what Paul had to say on the subject.

11. It was a tough life, but not an uncommon one, so it's not surprising that Paul talked directly to slaves in several places in his letters, & even wrote the entire letter of ____ to a slave owner about his slave.

12. A Roman ____ might own hundreds of slaves, & he was free to do with them as he chose. A master could beat his slaves, torture them, or even murder them.

13. FTWTF - Title

Down

1. In the early years after Jesus' death, many ____ were slaves. The good news of salvation has always struck a note with those who are the most hopeless, & who is more hopeless than a slave?

3. FTWTF - Power Point

4. [Friday's lesson] Talk with your family about what it means to be a ____. Share with your family what you have learned about service this week.

8. Imagine what that kind of enthusiastic ____ could do. Imagine the witness. Out of 100 angry, sullen, do-enough-to-get-by slaves, one is willing, even cheerful. One is pleasant & upbeat. One is faithful & trustworthy & dedicated & a motivated self-starter. Do you think the master will notice? I'd say so. It's happened before. Think of Joseph & Naaman's slave girl.

9. But even though we are in little ____ of being bought, sold, or owned by someone else, there will always be other people to whom we must answer.

10. [Tuesday's lesson] Read 1 Corinthians 9:19. How can you make ____ a slave to everyone in order to win them to Christ?

Power Text
"Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men."
Ephesians 6:7 NIV

Power Point
We serve God when we serve others with our whole hearts.