Lesson 05 - Mastering Obedience

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

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8. FTWTF - Title
   Power Point
   We serve God when we serve others with our whole hearts.

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