

**Ephesians 6:5~** You slaves, be obedient to those who are your masters in a fleshly sense, with fear and trembling in the sincerity of your hearts, as to the Christ.

- 1• Now Paul counsels slaves, who are working under a master. They are told to be obedient to them in a fleshly sense. This would preclude accepting things, that are against being a Christian, like eating blood, or committing murder or committing fornication, for example.

**[Question]** What topic does Paul now turn to?

**[Question]** In what things must a slave be obedient, but what things would he not have to do, that would wound his Christian conscience?

- 2• Otherwise though, they are to serve their masters with fear and trembling, and in the sincerity of their hearts, doing all the things, that they are told to do.

**[Question]** In exclusion of those things though, how are they to serve their fleshly masters?

- 3• Let as many as are **slaves** under a yoke keep on considering their owners worthy of full honor, that the name of God and the teaching may never be spoken of injuriously. (**1 Timothy 6:1**)

**[Question]** What should Christians slaves consider, that their masters are worthy of, and why should they actually act this way?

- 4• Let house servants be in subjection to their owners with all due **fear**, not only to the good and reasonable, but also to those hard to please. (**1 Peter 2:18**)

**[Question]** How should house servants be in subjection to their owners, regardless of whether they are easy or hard to please?

- 5• Consequently, my beloved ones, in the way that you have always obeyed, not during my presence only, but now much more readily during my absence, keep working out your own salvation with **fear** and **trembling**. (**Philippians 2:12**)

**[Question]** What must each anointed Christian keep working out, and how so?

- 6· And Yehowah's angel went on to say to her; Return to your mistress and humble yourself under her hand. (Genesis 16:9)

[Question] What was rebellious Hagar told to do, by the angel, to be blessed?

- 7· Then something to eat was set before him, but he said; I shall not eat until I have spoken about my matters. Hence he said; Speak! (Genesis 24:33)

[Question] How did the slave of Abraham feel about carrying out the orders of his master, though not anywhere near to him?

- 8· You **slaves**, be **obedient** in everything to those who are your **masters** in a **fleshly sense**, not with acts of eye-service, as men pleasers, but with **sincerity** of heart, with **fear** of Yehowah. (Colossians 3:22)

[Question] How should slaves be obedient to their masters, for who are they truly serving, in whatever they do in life?

- 9· Let **slaves** be in subjection to their owners in all things, and please them well, not talking back. (Titus 2:9)

[Question] How should slaves be in subjection to their owners, and what would they be careful not to speak toward them?

- 10· For the Lord's sake subject yourselves to every human creation, whether to a king as being superior (1 Peter 2:13)

[Question] Whom should anointed Christians subject themselves to?