

Romans — Part 9

Lasting Fruit

The Emancipation Proclamation changed the trajectory of countless lives! And yet, as revolutionary as that news was, it took several years for the news to reach all the affected people. Is this not a picture of what sin tries to do to us? Listen in as Pastor Markus Witherspoon, from our Tierrasanta campus, challenges us to see how we have broken ties with slavery to sin to serve God!

In this message you will be challenged and encouraged to:

- Redeem the concept of what it means to serve God
- Let love of God fuel service of God

Let's go in our Bibles to Romans 6:15–23 (CSB)

1. My _____ reveal my _____.

Romans 6:16 (CSB) Don't you know that **if you offer yourselves to someone** as obedient slaves, **you are slaves of that one you obey**—either of sin leading to death or of obedience leading to righteousness?

2. The result of my _____ is lasting _____.

Romans 6:21 (CSB) **So what fruit was produced then from the things you are now ashamed of?** The outcome of those things is death.

Romans 6:22 (CSB) But now, since you have been set free from sin and have become enslaved to God, **you have your fruit, which results in sanctification—and the outcome is eternal life!**

Matthew 22:37–38 (CSB) ³⁷He [Jesus] said to him, "**Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.**" ³⁸This is the greatest and most important command.