

- 1) When did you last take some time to think though God's sovereignty? In your opinion, what should take precedent in your life – His sovereign work for and to all creation, or His relationship to you as your Father in heaven?
- 2) Was Adam created to be a slave? If both slave and son are to obey the Father, what is the difference between slave and son?
- 3) Read Genesis 15:12-16. Who does God say He will punish? Why does He say He will punish them? Who does God say He will reward? Why does He promise to reward them? Read verse 16 again. What would you call it when you've waited to see all that could possibly be redeemed out of a people redeemed – so that all that is left is *unredeemable sin*?
- 4) Read Exodus 1:1-14 (before God's people were enslaved) and then read Exodus 12:31-38 (which details those who were rescued from slavery). Who else left Egypt? Why do you think such people left? How is that similar to Genesis 15:12-16?
- 5) Will slavery be part of humankind's story in eternity? Consider 1John 3:8 in your answer. If the Kingdom of God does not include slavery, should we practice it now in any capacity?
- 6) Read 1Peter 2:18-20. What is your 'gut' reaction to this passage? How is your reaction tempered by consideration of the Scripture already studied? Who was Peter originally thinking of when he put these verses down on paper? Who should we think of in the context we live in?
- 7) Read John 8:34 in at least two different English translations. Think about it. Read Mark 10:41-45 in at least two different English translations. Are you a slave? What does 1Peter 2:18-20 say to you?