

Slavery Today

Our Blind Spot

What can we do?



Sunday March 3rd
2 Timothy ch 1

“Newton’s Blind Spot”
Revelation 5:9-10

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Amazing Grace

Timeline of Newton’s Life

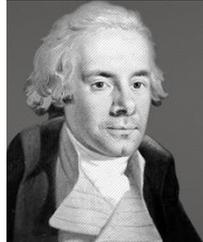
- 1748 Saved at sea in terrible storm
- 1750 Becomes Captain of slave ship
- 1754 Left sailing after a seizure
- 1754 Becomes pastor in Olney
- 1773 Writes “Amazing Grace”
- 1779 Becomes pastor in London
- 1785 Encourages Wilberforce to stay in Parliament & fight for abolition of slavery
- 1788 Writes ‘Thoughts upon the African Slave Trade’
- 1807 England outlaws slavery (Newton Dies)



“The reader may perhaps wonder, as I now do myself, that knowing the state of this vile traffic as I have described, and abounding with enormities which I have not mentioned, I did not at the time start with horror at my own employment as an agent in promoting it. Custom, example [of others], and interest [financial gain] had blinded my eyes. I did it ignorantly, for I am sure had I thought of the slave trade then as I have thought of it since, no considerations would have induced me to continue in it.”

Reasons for Slavery

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____



“I have not fought the slave trade just because it is terrible or because it haunts me. I’ve fought it because it’s wrong. I have done it for the sake of this nation and our people just as much as for the African slaves. I have done it because I know that God will not allow a people to prosper who deliberately condone evil and hide their faces from His judgments.””

American Slavery Abolished 1865

- after _____ people died in Civil War
- after _____ slaves brought to America in chains
- after _____ slaves in America (through birth)
- after _____ slaves traded in North America
- after _____ (at least) slaves died on slave ships

What Does the Bible Teach About Slavery?

Leviticus 25, Exodus 21, & Deuteronomy 23

1. Not _____

Exodus 21:2 *When you buy a Hebrew slave, he shall serve six years, and in the seventh he shall go out free, for nothing.*

2. Not _____

Lev 25:39 *If your brother becomes poor beside you and sells himself to you, you shall not make him serve as a slave:*

3. Not _____

Ex 21:16 *Whoever steals a man and sells him, and anyone found in possession of him, shall be put to death*

4. Not _____

Ex 21:26-27 *When a man strikes the eye of his slave, male or female & destroys it, he shall let the slave go free because of his eye. If he knocks out the tooth of his slave, male or female, he shall let the slave go free because of his tooth.*

5. Not _____

Dt 15:15 *You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God redeemed you*

6. Treat as _____

Eph 6:5-9 *Bondservants, obey your earthly masters with fear and trembling, with a sincere heart, as you would Christ... Masters, do the same to them, and stop your threatening, knowing that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and that there is no partiality with him.*

7. Not _____

Gal 3:28 *There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.*

8. _____

1 Timothy 1:9-10 *understanding this, that the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless & disobedient, for the ungodly & sinners, for the unholy & profane, for those who strike their fathers and mothers, for murderers, the sexually immoral, men who practice homosexuality, enslavers, liars, perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine,*

9. _____

1 Cor 7:20-22 *Each one should remain in the condition in which he was called. Were you a bondservant when called? Do not be concerned about it. (But if you can gain your freedom, avail yourself of the opportunity.)*

10. _____

Roman 16:9 *Greet Urbanus, our fellow worker in Christ,*

Chattel Slavery in America

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2. _____
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4. _____
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7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

***Does the Bible allow for slavery?
Does the Bible allow for chattel slavery?***