

“THE BONDSERVANT OF CHRIST”

1. If there was a definition of you in a dictionary, what would that definition be? What single word would stand out the most in that definition, being a title for your life? Why?

2. What were some titles that Paul may have given of himself before he met Jesus? Why? What about after?

3. When you hear the words “bondservant” or “slave”, what images do they invoke in your mind? Why might people react strongly to that imagery, both then and now?

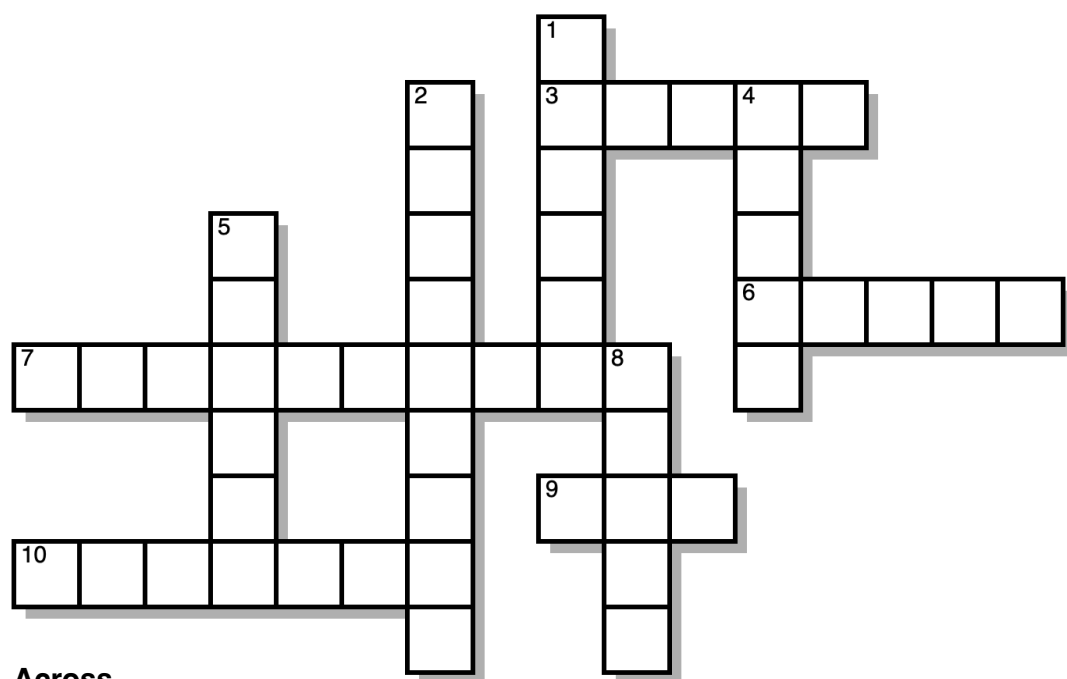
4. How did the way our founding fathers understand freedom differ from how most people think about it nowadays? Why the difference? When and how did that change?

5. Galatians 2:20 shows that to be united with Christ means also to be crucified with Christ. What are some chief characteristics of a crucified person? Why does Paul (and Jesus) lean so heavily on that imagery?

6. Read Colossians 3:1-17. What is the chief imagery used to describe the one who images Christ (v.10)?

7. What is complete surrender to Jesus Christ? What is the immediate fruit of a surrendered life? What is the chief fruit of that surrender?

8. What three things did Paul learn in and through his encounter with Jesus on the road to Damascus? How is this reflected in your own life?

**Across**

3 Our new self Paul said "is being renewed in knowledge after the _____ of its creator."

6 The word for "servant" Paul uses of himself in Acts 26:16 actually means under-_____.

7 _____ 3:1-17 talks a lot about putting off the old self and putting on the new.

9 "If I were still a _____-pleaser, I should not be Christ's bondservant." (Galatians 1:10)

10 What was Paul called to be in Romans 1:1?

Down

1 "For you have died, and your life is _____ with Christ in God."

2 Galatians 2:20 says that we have been _____ with Christ.

4 "Nay, He stripped Himself of His _____, and took on Him the nature of a bondservant by becoming a man like other men." (Philippians 2:7)

5 "a bondservant of the Lord must not quarrel, but must be inoffensive towards all men, a skillful teacher, and patient under wrongs." (2 Timothy 2:24)

8 Doulos can be translated as bondservant or _____.

WORD SEARCH:

Paul	Freedom
Servant	Authority
Bondservant	Cross
Identity	Crucified
Jew	Clothes
Pharisee	Surrender
Roman	Kingdom
Tarsus	Christ
Damascus	Chains
Doulos	

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