"Set Free"

Ephesians 1:7,8a

1. The Father has \_\_\_\_\_\_ your future in \_\_\_\_\_\_. (Eph. 1:4-6)

2. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ for your blessings (Eph. 1:7,8a; Deut. 5:12-15).

This includes:

Jesus removing the pain and damage \_\_\_\_\_\_ sins have caused \_\_\_\_\_\_ and have caused \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Isa. 25:8; 35:10; 65:17).

Jesus removing the pain and damage that the sins of \_\_\_\_\_ have caused \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Rev. 21:4,5; lsa. 65:17).

This includes:

Being \_\_\_\_\_ into God's family (Eph. 1:5).

1. Which would you rather be: a slave or a slave owner? Why?

2. Why do you think the Bible (Rom. 5:17) uses the word "slave" to refer to our relationship to sin?

3. For most Americans, the most expensive thing they will ever buy is a car or a house. But the most expensive thing Jesus ever bought was you! Read 1 Cor. 6:20. How should you respond to Christ's action toward you? Please give specific examples of how to apply what is being said here.

- 4. Which do you feel worse about, the sins you have committed, or the sins others have committed against you? Why?
- 5. Read Deut. 5:12-15 and talk about why what is commanded here would be so revolutionary in the slave culture of that day. Now discuss how such a practice would affect both slave and slave owner, first in the Jewish culture, but secondly, in the pagan cultures that observed this practice.

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## **Discussion Questions**