

**Breaking Free: confronting the reality of your old life**  
**Romans 6:15-23**  
**Freedom 3**  
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**Do you have a tendency to underestimate sin?**

verse 15

**Confront the reality of your old life ...**

verses 16-23

*"when you offer yourselves ... you are slaves to the one you obey"*

**1. Respect that sin is a controlling power in your life.** verse 16

*"slaves to sin which leads to death"*

**However, we have a true master.** verses 17-18

*"you have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness"*

**2. Realize that sin's power is unleashed by our desire.** verse 19

*"you used to offer the parts of your body in slavery to impurity"*

**However, we have a new desire.**

*"now offer them in slavery to righteousness leading to holiness"*

**3. Remember that sin always leads to increasing levels of death.** verses 20-21

*"those things resulted in death"*

**However, Christ always leads us into ever deepening life.** verses 22-23

*"the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life"*

**Application:**

1. What lies do you believe about the nature of sin?
2. What practical steps do you need to take?

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"We are not merely imperfect creatures who must be improved: we are rebels who must lay down our arms. The first answer, then, to the question why our cure should be painful, is that to render back the will which we have so long claimed for our own, is in itself, wherever and however it is done, a grievous pain." C. S. Lewis