

THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD

“For the word of God is living and powerful,
and sharper than any two-edged sword,
piercing even to the division of soul and spirit,
and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner
of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

(Hebrews 4:12)

THE BOOK OF ROMANS

“Not Ashamed of the Gospel”

“For I am *not ashamed of the gospel* of Christ,
for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone
who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.
For in it the *righteousness of God* is revealed from faith to faith;
as it is written, ‘The just shall live by faith.’”

(Romans 1:16,17)

OUTLINE OF ROMANS

“Not Ashamed of the Gospel”

1–8 I. God’s Righteousness Revealed

6:1–8:39 Sanctification: Demonstration of God’s Righteousness

6:1–23 A. Sanctification and Sin

7:1–25 B. Sanctification and the Law

8:1–39 C. Sanctification and the Spirit

“FROM SLAVES OF SIN TO SLAVES OF GOD”

(Romans 6:15–23)

14 For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.

15 What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? Certainly not!

16 Do you not know that to whom you present yourselves slaves to obey, you are that one's slaves whom you obey, whether of sin leading to death, or of obedience *(to God)* leading to righteousness?

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17 But God be thanked that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that standard of doctrine *(in which you were instructed and to which you were committed)*.

18 And having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness.

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19 I speak in human terms *(because of your natural limitations, your spiritual immaturity)*. For just as you *(previously)* presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness.

20 For when you were slaves of sin, you were free *(from righteousness, you had no desire to conform to God’s will)*.

21 *(But)* what fruit *(benefit)* did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? *(None!)* For the end of those things is death.

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22 But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life.

23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

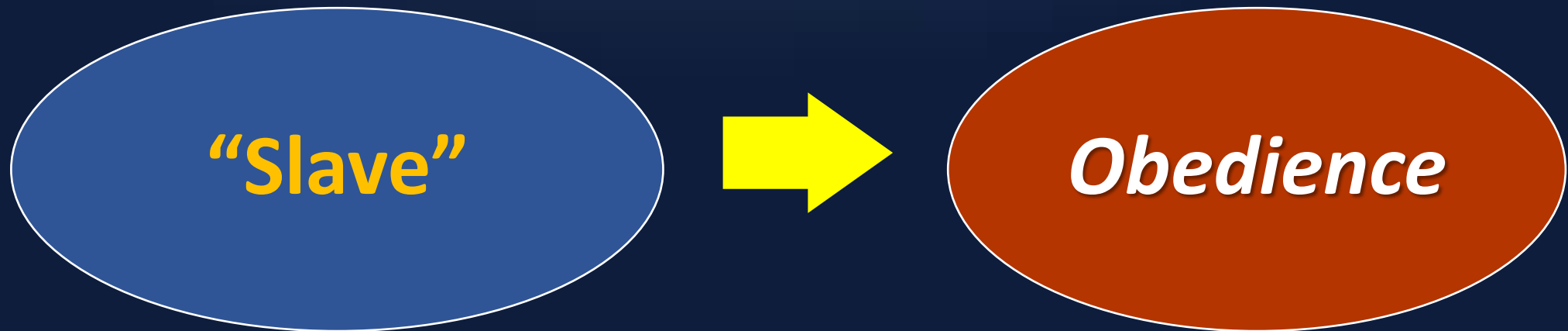
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**Slave and Master
Analogy**

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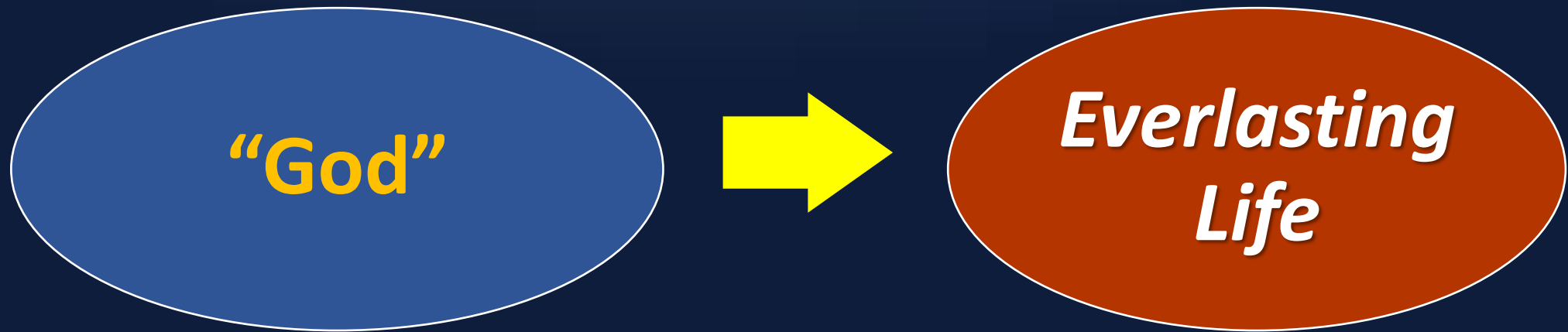


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(from righteousness, you had no desire to conform to God’s will).

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**Sin pays
a wage (*death*);
God gives The Gift
(*eternal life*).**

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