Discussion Questions

The following questions help us engage with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning's worship service, and may be useful during personal devotions, group studies, and family worship.

1. What are some settings where you are responsible to work under the guidance or authority of another person? In which setting is it most challenging to be distinct and faithful as a Christian?

2. In verses 5-6, Paul discusses the connection between our hearts and our actions. Why is this important?

3. How does the Holy Spirit make it possible for us as Christians to love and obey God's commands?

4. In verse 7, Paul guides us to be "rendering service with a good will as to the Lord and not to man." Some of us consider our work too basic to honor God. Some of us consider our work too significant to be called service. Does this verse help you reframe the way you think about your work?

5. In verse 9, Paul tells masters to approach their work in the same way as the bondservants they oversee. How does the gospel alone give Christians this kind of humility and unity? See Ephesians 4:1-7 and Philemon 1:15-16.

6. What are one or two specific ways a friend can pray for you to be a faithful bondservant of Christ in your work this week?