## **DISCUSSION GUIDE**

ICEBREAKER: What's an example of your passive-aggressive side?

**OVERVIEW**: What comes to mind when you hear the word "slave"? You might think of the 12.5 million Africans who were forced into slavery and shipped across the Atlantic Ocean to the New World. Whatever comes to mind, it's probably nothing good. Today we think of slavery as a terrible institution that no one should have to experience. But the Bible uses the word "slave" to describe Christians. It calls us Christ's slaves. In this study we will go deeper with how to be faithful slaves of Christ.

- 1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain. (Or what was your key takeaway from Sunday's message?)
- 2. What comes to mind when you hear the word "slave"?
- 3. What's the worst thing about being a slave?
- 4. What's the best thing about being a slave?

## DOULOS Galatians 1:10 Sola Fide (Galatians) — Week 3

- 5. Read Ephesians 6:5-9 and answer the following questions. Keep in mind that however slaves were expected treat their human masters, we should treat Christ infinitely better.
  - a. How were slaves expected to treat their masters?
  - b. How can we apply this to our relationship with Christ?
- 6. Read Colossians 3:22-25 and answer the following questions.
  - a. How were slaves expected to treat their masters in this passage?
  - b. How can we apply this to our relationship with Christ?
- 7. Refer to Sunday's sermon for the rest of the questions. What are the five parallels between Biblical Christianity and first-century slavery?
- 8. Which of the five parallels do you most need to grow in? Explain.
- 9. Are you comfortable with being Christ's slave? Explain.

**The Last Word**: "You can't call Jesus Lord without declaring yourself His slave." Kyle Idleman, *Not a Fan* 

