

MOOREBANK – HAMMONDVILLE ANGLICAN CHURCHES
QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION OR REFLECTION
 Romans 6:15 – 7:6

1. Why do you think we are so attracted to Freedom?
2. In 6:1-2 and in v15 Paul begins two questions by asking shall we sin because...? How are the two questions different? What is Paul's answer to both?
3. Read John 8:31-34. How are Jesus words similar to what Paul says in 6:16-17? Think about your own life, who do you habitually and routinely seek to obey? Why does Paul say that this choice is so important?
4. In v17 – 18, how does Paul describe the previous situation for the Christians in Rome? How does he describe them now? What are they now free from? What are they free for?
5. What is the true situation of those who reject the Lordship of Christ because they cherish their own freedom? (See also 1:18-32)
6. How would you describe slavery? Does it surprise you that the New Testament uses this concept to describe one aspect of our salvation? Why / Why not?
7. Read 1 Peter 2:16 and Galatians 5:13-15. Both of these passages remind us of our freedom. Yet what is that freedom for? How is that similar to what Paul says here?
8. What is the fruit that comes from the life enslaved to sin? (v20-23) What is the fruit that comes from the life enslaved to God? (v20-23). Think about one area of your life where you are seeking to bear the fruit of holiness.
9. Read 7:1-6. Paul has addressed that we are not under Sin, but what about the law? Why is the law not against us (v4)? How is this similar to 6:1-15?
10. Who is it that we belong to now? What is our destiny and calling in v5-7?

The Big Change¹	
The Old realm (the non-Christian)	The New Realm (the Christian)
In Adam Old man (5:12-21) Slaves to sin (6:17,20;7:14) Doomed to eternal death Ruled over by law Dominated by the Flesh (7:5)	In Christ New man (5:12-21) Slaves to righteousness (6:17,20) Destined for..... Ruled over by.... Dominated by the Spirit (7:.....)

¹ 'Realm Transfer' diagram from 'Encountering the book of Romans' by D.J. Moo, page 115. A book worth owning!