

Sermon Outline 5.4.08

Ephesians 6:5-9

- I. A brief background of first century slavery

- II. An address to those *under* authority in the presence of those *in* authority (v. 5-8)
 - a. We are called to an obedience characterized by:
 - a proper respect for position and authority (v. 5a)
 - a “singleness” of heart (v. 5b)
 - a conscientiousness (v. 6)
 - a cheerful goodwill (v. 7-8)

- III. An address to those *in* authority in the presence of those *under* authority (v. 9)
 - a. Embrace the managerial golden rule (v. 9a)
 - b. Remember that you too are under authority (v. 9b)

- IV. An address to us all from the Servant/Master who possesses all authority
 - a. Philippians 2:5-11
 - b. John 13:1-17 – Jesus washes all twelve disciples’ feet