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1st Timothy Lesson

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1. Last week I taught 1Ti 6:1 by way of *The Doctrine of the Importance of Doctrine* and when time expired we were exegeting 1Ti 6:2.
2. Before returning to that study I want to give you opportunity to use 1Jo 1:9 as may be necessary.
3. Let me first give you an expanded translation of 1Ti 6:1,

Expanded Translation

1Ti 6:1 All who are slaves and thus under the yoke of slavery they must count their very own master worthy of all honor so that the noble and honorable name of God is not blasphemed.

4. Now let's return to the exegesis of 1Ti 6:2.

KJV-New Sentence

1Ti 6:2 And they that have believing masters, let them not despise them, because they are brethren; but rather do them service, because they are faithful and beloved, partakers of the benefit. These things teach and exhort.

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1Ti 6:2 Those who have believing masters are not to show less respect for them because they are brothers. Instead, they are to serve them even better, because those who benefit from their service are believers, and dear to them. These are the things you are to teach and urge on them.

AND THEY THAT HAVE ΔΕ Ο ΕΧΩ

1. **De Ho Echo** is better translated "Now those who have ..."
2. **De** is a conjunction used as a continuative followed by the definite article **Ho** declined as a nominative plural and the verb **Echo** parsed as a present active participle.
3. The article **Ho** is used as a substantive to describe a number of slaves who have believing masters.

4. **Echo** is the “have and to hold” verb parsed to describe those slaves who are fortunate enough to belong to masters who are believers. We have studied **Echo** most recently in 1Ti 5:20 and 25. **Echo** as you may recall is generally translated “have, has, had, hold and holding” or that have.”

BELIEVING MASTERS, ΠΙΣΤΟΣ ΔΕΣΠΟΤΗΣ

1. **Pistos Despotēs** is well translated “believing masters ...”
2. **Pistos** is a cognate of the noun **Pistis** and the verb **Pisteuo**. It means “to be faithful, true, trusty, credible, sure” or “certain.” In this context it is used of faith in Jesus Christ.
3. In our verse it is used to describe masters who are believers.
4. **Despotēs** can be found ten times in the New Testament where it is variously translated “Lord, master, master’s, a lord, O Lord” or “Christ.” **Despotēs** denotes supreme authority, a lord over others and often it is used of God Himself. In our verse it is used of Christian masters who owned believing slaves.

LET THEM NOT DESPISE THEM, ΜΗ ΚΑΤΑΦΡΟΝΕΩ

1. **Me Kataphroneo** is better translated “they must not “think disparaging of them ...” or “they must stop despising them ...”
2. **Me** is a negative adverb followed by the verb **Kataphroneo** parsed as a 3rd person plural, present active imperative.
3. **Me** is the “softest” of the negatives but it does have an unusual meaning when used with the imperative. Its meaning must be determined from the context. With the imperative it can be translated “stop what is being done.”
4. **Kataphroneo** means “to contemn, to scorn, to despise” or “think disparagingly about someone.”
5. We then analyzed the phrase “because they are brethren.”

BECAUSE THEY ARE BRETHREN; ΟΤΙ ΕΙΜΙ ΑΔΕΛΦΟΣ

1. **Hoti Eimi Adelphos** is better translated “because they are your brothers and sisters in Christ ...”

2. **Hoti** is a causative adverb followed by the verb **Eimi** parsed as a third person, present active indicative followed by the noun **Adelphos** declined as a nominative singular.

3. **Adelphos** appears more than 250 times where it is translated “brother, brothers, brother’s” and “brethren.” Now for new material and an analysis of 1Jo 3:12-16.

1Jo 3:12 Not as Cain, who was of that wicked one, and slew his brother. And wherefore slew he him? Because his own works were evil, and his brother's righteous.

1Jo 3:13 Marvel not, my **brethren**, if the world hate you.

1Jo 3:14 We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the **brethren**. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death.

1Jo 3:15 Whosoever hateth his **brother** is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.

1Jo 3:16 Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the **brethren**.

4. When you remove the masculine suffix "**os**" from **Adelphos** and add the feminine suffix to **Adelph--**you get **Adelphē** and thus translate "sister" rather than "brother." For example see Acts 23:16:

Acts 23:16 And when Paul's **sister's** son heard of their lying in wait, he went and entered into the castle, and told Paul.

Acts 23:17 Then Paul called one of the centurions unto him, and said, Bring this young man unto the chief captain: for he hath a certain thing to tell him.

BUT RATHER DO THEM SERVICE *αλλα μαλλον δουλευω*

1. **Alla Mallon Douleuo** is better translated “but most certainly rather you should serve them faithfully ...

2. **Alla** is the strongest of all the adversatives adverbs followed by the adverb **Mallon** and the verb **Douleuo** parsed as a 3rd person plural, present active imperative.

3. **Mallon** appears more than 50 times in Scripture where it is translated variously as “more, rather, the more, more and more” and “the rather.” Examples:

Acts 9:20 And straightway he (Saul who would later be known as the Apostle Paul) preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

Acts 9:21 But all that heard him were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?

Acts 9:22 But Saul increased '**the more**' in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

Acts 9:23 And after that many days were fulfilled, the Jews took counsel to kill him:
Acts 9:24 But their laying await was known of Saul. And they watched the gates day and night to kill him.

Rom 5:8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Rom 5:9 Much **more** then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

1Co 6:7 Now therefore there is utterly a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another. Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not **rather** suffer yourselves to be defrauded?

1Th 4:1 Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound **more and more**.

1Th 4:10 And indeed ye do it toward all the brethren which are in all Macedonia: but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase **more and more**;

1Th 4:11 And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

1Th 4:12 That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing.

2Pe 1:9 But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

2Pe 1:10 Wherefore **the rather**, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:

2Pe 1:11 For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

4. **Douleuo** appears some 25 times in the New Testament where it is translated “serve, bondage, shall be in bondage, shall serve, serving, did serve” and “doing service.”
Examples:

Mat 6:24 No man can **serve** two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

Joh 8:33 They answered him, We be Abraham's seed, and were never in **bondage** to any man: how sayest thou, Ye shall be made free?

Acts 7:7 And the nation to whom they shall be in bondage will I judge, said God: and after that shall they come forth, and **serve** me in this place.

Rom 9:12 It was said unto her, The elder shall **serve** the younger.
Rom 9:13 As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.
Rom 9:14 What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? God forbid.

Rom12:11 Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; **servicing** the Lord;
Rom12:12 Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;
Rom 12:13 Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.

Tit 3:3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, **servicing** divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.

Gal 4:8 Howbeit then, when ye knew not God, ye **did service** unto them which by nature are no gods.

Eph 6:7 With good will **doing service**, as to the Lord, and not to men:
Eph 6:8 Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free.
Eph 6:9 And, ye masters, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him.

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