EXODUS 21; March 12; Laws Respecting Human Life

ANALYSIS: 1. An Hebrew bought as a slave, after years of service he/she went out free.
2. If a man took another wife, he was responsibility to give his first wife, or she went out free
3. Can you name the six crimes in this chapter punishable by death?
4. If a master injured a servant so he/she lost his/her or then the servant went out free.
5. If the slave choose to stay with his master and family, instead of going out free, what was done to the slave and what did it mean?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Human life was carefully protected by God through His laws. Murder, hitting or cursing one's father or mother, kidnapping, injuring a pregnant woman causing her to miscarriage and she dies, owning a vicious beast that kills someone makes the owner guilty; and all such crimes brought the death penalty under O.T. law. Do you support the death penalty called capitol punishment today in the light of God's word?

If you are a parent, do you teach and enforce respect and obedience from your children toward yourself and all other authority? If you have parents, do you respect and obey them as highly as you ought in the light of God's commands?

HELP:

- 1. 6 years (v 2).
- 2. Food, raiment, duty of marriage (vs 10-11).
- 3. Smiting a man that he dies (v 12), smiting his father or mother (v 15), kidnapping (v 16), cursing father or mother (v 17), hurting a pregnant woman so she dies (v 22-23), being the owner of a vicious animal that kills a person (v 29): all these brought the death penalty under 0.T. law.
- 4. Eye or tooth (vs 26-27).
- 5. The slave's ear was bored through with an aul on the door post of the house of his master, and he became his servant for ever (v 6).