Chapter III

Vocabulary

**obsequious** – much too willing to serve or obey; fawning
**patriarchal** – fatherly

1. In the following passage, Raskolnikov compares himself and Svidrigailov:

   But what could they have in common? Their very evil-doing could not be of the same kind. The man, moreover, was very unpleasant, evidently depraved, undoubtedly cunning and deceitful, possibly malignant. Such stories were told about him. It is true he was befriending Katerina Ivanovna's children, but who could tell with what motive and what it meant? The man always had some design, some project.

   What are the similarities of Raskolnikov and Svidrigailov’s “evil-going” ways? What are the differences?

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2. What is Svidrigailov’s major vice? What is he afraid of?

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