

Learning Obedience

“Obey”

In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice” – Gn.22:18

Lit., to hear

So the men marveled, saying, “Who can this be, that even the winds and the sea obey Him?” – Mt.8:27

To follow instructions, obey...

I. What Is Obedience?

'of following the
guidance of an
authority'

A certain kind of listening

To listen, to submit in such a way that *inner assent* is inseparable from *outer conduct*. . .

Eph.6:1, children to parents...

1 Peter 1:14, *children of obedience*

– ***Obedience***: their chief characteristic

– Ep.2:2, ***sons of disobedience***...

Acts 5:29, our highest calling

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II. Obedience Must Be Learned

Heb.5:7-9

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2. Doing what someone says. 1 Sm.15

3. Agreement.

● Jesus **suffered**, Hb.5:8

● Jesus suffered **many things**, Mt.16:21

● Jesus suffered **death**, Hb.13:12

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4. My idea. Hb.10:5-9

“Author”: cause, source

“By obedience to Him we are through Him made partakers of His salvation” – ISBE

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III. What Does
Obedience Include?

1. Personal decision

- Jesus suffered and died alone (Mt.26:40)
- Jn.21

“It’s not fair for me to have to give, visit, work...when others don’t”

What could Jesus say?
Are others our standard?

1. Personal decision

2. Passionate devotion

- Opposite of lukewarm / indifferent
- Mt.22:37, all heart
- Hb.8:10, on heart

“and were unable to do anything; for all the people were very attentive to hear Him” – Lk.19:48

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Hang on!
(every word)

ewarm / indifferent
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3. Pious disposition

- Ro.6:17, from the heart...
 - Voluntary
 - Whole-hearted
 - Sincere (did not merely go through motions)
 - Hb.11:7, revere; cautious (5:7)
 - Hb.11:8, readily; no argument

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2. Passionate devotion
3. Pious disposition

4. Precise deeds

- Lk.6:46
- Reactions to Paul's writings –

“We must remember that baptism in his time was different from what it commonly is today. It was adult baptism. That is not to say that the NT is opposed to infant baptism...”

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“A few drops of water symbolize as well as, yea better than, a lake or an ocean. Baptism by immersion and submersion becomes no more symbolic than sprinkling or pouring”

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5. Prioritized details

- Mt.5:21, first be reconciled...
- Mt.6:33, seek first...
- Mt.8:21, first go bury father ? ?
- Acts 2

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IV. Disobedience Is Easy

Mt.7:21, do whatever we want?

- Mt.21:28-32, disobedience: not much work
- 1 Pt.4:17-18, only two groups

house of God	do not obey gospel
us	ungodly
righteous	sinner