

# LESSONS ON OBEDIENCE

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Isaiah 42:8 I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.

## **1. Obedience only comes from a submissive heart.**

James 4:7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you  
Romans 8:6-8 For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. 7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. 8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.  
John 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

John 14:21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

Colossians 3:18-20 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord. 19 Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them. 20 Children, obey your parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord.

## **2. An obedient heart is a heart that is prepared to obey.**

Psalms 40:8 I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart.  
Ephesians 6:5-6 Servants, be obedient...as unto Christ; 6 Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart;  
Luke 2:51 And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart.

## **3. To obey Him, you must have the Lord in reverence.**

Matthew 10:39 He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.

Luke 6:46 And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

## **4. There is no substitute for your personal obedience.**

1 Corinthians 16:2 Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.  
1 Samuel 15:22 And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.

## **5. Obedience involves fulfilling specific commands.**

Deuteronomy 8:1 All the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live...

Joshua 1:7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.

Matthew 25:21 His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

James 1:25 But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.