

The Discipleship of a Man

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"A Life of Obedience"

"Who though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became OBEДИENT unto death, even death on the cross." Philippians 2:8

SUMMARY:

NOTES:

Six Principle Authorities to Obey:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.

How Important is our 'obedience' to the Lord?

- I. The **SCRIPTURAL MANDATE**: 1 Samuel 15:17-23, Jeremiah 7:23-24
- II. The **SUPERNATURAL MOTIVATION**: 2 Corinthians 5:14
- III. The **SIGNIFICANT MEANING**: Our obedience is best motivated by "servanthood" as modeled by Jesus Christ. John 13

Principles:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

DISCUSSION POINTS:

Introductory Question: The bumper sticker reads, "Question Authority!" Why is it important to cultivate an attitude concerning the importance of 'obeying' at an early stage of life with children?

Discussion:

- As a child of God, what particular area(s) do you struggle with most in striving to be obedient to your Heavenly Father?
- Does personal motivation play a role in our desire to obey? If so, in what ways?

APPLICATION:

Peter affirms that believers should be 'children of obedience.'
(1 Peter 1:14)

What positive steps can you take to foster 'obedience' in your own life?

ON YOUR OWN...

Scripture References:

Colossians 3:20
Proverbs 5:12
Ephesians 6:5
Romans 13:1-2
Hebrews 13:17
Genesis 26:5
1 Samuel 15:17-23
Jeremiah 7:23-24
Luke 11:28