

# The Call to Obedience

- Call to Obey God's Commands
  - 1 Jn. 14:15; if you love Me, you will keep My commandments
  - Jms. 1:22; not enough to be hears of the word, we have to do it
- Call to Follow Christ (Lk. 9:23)
  - Deny himself
  - Take up his cross
  - Follow Jesus
- An example of Jesus' obedience (1 Pet. 2:20-23)

# Obedience Marks a True Believer

- 1 Jn. 2:3-4
  - Obeying the word of God demonstrates that we know Him
  - Continual disobedience to the word of God indicates one is a liar and they don't know Him
- Mt. 7:21
  - The true believer that will enter the kingdom of heaven
    - They will do the will of the Father

# Examples of Disobedience

- 1 Sam. 15:16-23
  - How are obedience and sacrifice compared (vs. 22)?
  - What are stubbornness and rebellion compared to (vs. 23)?
  - What did Saul's disobedience cost him (vs. 23)?
- Zech. 7:8-14
  - How did the people react to God instruction (vss. 11-12)?
  - How did it effect their prayers (vs. 13)?
  - What was the end result (vs. 14)?

# Examples of Obedience

- Abraham's obedience
  - Two great acts of obedience
    - Gen. 12:1-4; Heb. 11:8
    - Gen. 22:1-12
  - What was Abraham's son promised because of Abraham's obedience (Gen. 26:2-5)
    - Make his seed great
    - Seed receives all the countries
    - All nations will be blessed

# Examples of Obedience

- Jesus' obedience
  - Jn, 4:34
    - His primary concern what to do the work of the Father
  - Lk. 22:42
    - His attitude during the most pressing time, obedience
  - Phil. 2:8
    - Willing to be obedient unto death

# Promise and Blessings of Obedience

- Blessings if we obey God's commandments
  - Jn. 15:10: abide in His love
  - Jn. 15:14: are His friends
  - 1 Jn. 3:22: whatever we ask, we receive of Him
- Mt. 7:24-37
  - Life of someone who hears and obeys
    - Like someone who builds his house on a rock

# Areas of Obedience

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- Mt. 28:20
  - We should all be taught to obey Christ's commands
- Col. 3:20
  - Children obey parents
  - Why? Well pleasing to the Lord
- Eph. 5:22-24
  - Wives obey husbands
  - Why? Husband is the head of the wife

# Areas of Obedience

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- Heb. 13:17
  - Believers to those that have rule over them
  - Why? So they can give a good account
- Rom. 13:1
  - Everyone to higher powers (authorities)
  - Why? They are ordained of God



# Our Attitude Toward Obedience

- Heb. 11:8
  - Basis of Abraham's obedience is receive the inheritance
- Mt. 21:28-32
  - First son had the better attitude
    - Had a change of heart and obeyed
- Lk. 5:4-7
  - How to respond when God's word seems contrary to our own judgment?
- Eph. 6:6
  - Our relation to Christ and attitude in doing God's will