

## Obedience

1. God wants us to be obedient (James 1:22-25; Luke 6:46; 1 Peter 1:14-16).
2. The blessings of obedience (Deut. 28). God gave us His commandments for our good. When we obey Him we are doing the right thing and the best thing for us (Deut. 5:29; Deut. 5:33; Deut. 6:24; Deut. 10:12-13; Matt. 7:24-27). His commandments are not burdensome (1 John 5:3).
3. We are not saved by our obedience. Obedience is the result of salvation (Rom. 3:20; Eph. 2:8-10).
4. Obedience is the mark of a true believer (1 John 2:3-6).
5. The love of God produces obedience (1 John 5:3; John 14:15).
6. Obedience is one of the conditions of answered prayer (1 John 3:22).
7. Examples of obedience:
  - a. Christ (Phil. 2:8; Psalm 40:6-8; John 8:29)
  - b. Noah (Gen. 6:22; 7:5)
  - c. Abraham (Gen. 22:18; Heb. 11:8)
8. Application
  - a. We are to pray to be more obedient (Psalm 119:33-36).
  - b. We are to be obedient our elders (pastors) (Heb. 13:17).
  - c. We are to be obedient to the government (Titus 3:1).
  - d. Children are to be obedient to their parents (Eph. 6:1-3).
  - e. Wives are to be obedient to their husbands (1 Peter 3:1-6).
  - f. Employees should be obedient to their employers (Col. 3:22-24).
  - g. We are to obey God rather than man, when man tells us to do something contrary to the Word of God (Acts 5:28-29).

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
To be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*