

# **OBEDIENCE TO GOD’S COMMANDS — UNCOMPROMISING ALIGNMENT**

## **— Dependence on God Through Prayer Beginner Teaching Outline**

### **I. DOCTRINE STATEMENT — WHAT DEPENDENCE THROUGH PRAYER IS**

- Prayer is active dependence on God expressed through humble communication. (Ps 62:8; Phil 4:6–7, summaries)
- God invites His servants to seek Him in every need. (Jer 33:3; Matt 7:7–8, summaries)
- Prayer aligns the heart with God’s will. (1 John 5:14–15; Ps 143:10, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Prayer expresses dependence, not weakness.

### **II. THE CALL TO PRAY**

- God commands His people to pray continually. (1 Thess 5:17; Luke 18:1, summaries)
- Prayer is modeled by faithful servants. (Dan 6:10; Ps 55:17, summaries)
- God responds to sincere prayer. (2 Chron 7:14; Ps 34:17, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Prayer is foundational to faith.

### **III. PRAYER AND HUMILITY**

- God hears the humble. (2 Chron 7:14; Ps 10:17, summaries)
- Pride resists dependence. (Prov 3:34; James 4:6, summaries)
- Humility opens the way for grace. (Micah 6:8; 1 Pet 5:5–6, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Humility sustains prayer.

### **IV. PRAYER AND TRUST**

- Trust anchors prayer. (Prov 3:5–6; Ps 37:5, summaries)
- Fear diminishes prayer confidence. (Isa 41:10; Ps 56:3, summaries)
- Faith sustains persistence. (Mark 11:24; Heb 11:6, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Prayer requires trust.

### **V. PRAYER IN DAILY LIFE**

- God invites prayer in all circumstances. (Phil 4:6; Ps 50:15, summaries)

- Prayer brings peace amid uncertainty. (Isa 26:3; John 14:27, summaries)
- Prayer guides decisions. (Ps 25:4–5; James 1:5, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Prayer integrates faith into life.

## VI. PRAYER AND OBEDIENCE

- Obedience strengthens prayer. (John 15:7; Ps 66:18, summaries)
- Disobedience hinders prayer. (Isa 59:2; Prov 28:9, summaries)
- God honors repentant prayer. (Ps 51:17; 1 John 1:9, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Obedience supports effective prayer.

## VII. SERVANT IDENTITY MARKERS

- Prayerful servants seek God first. (Matt 6:33; Ps 27:8, summaries)
- Prayerful servants wait on the LORD. (Ps 123:2; Isa 40:31, summaries)
- Prayerful servants give thanks. (Ps 100:4; Col 4:2, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Prayer identifies dependent servants.

## VIII. SUMMARY CONSOLIDATION

- Prayer expresses dependence.
- Prayer requires humility.
- Prayer builds trust.
- Prayer guides obedience.

Memory Anchor: “Pray without ceasing.” (1 Thess 5:17, summary)

## IX. TRANSITION TO NEXT DOCTRINE

- Prayer sustains faithfulness.
- Dependence prepares fruitfulness.
- God produces the increase.

## X. COMMAND SUMMARY

- Dependence on God through prayer sustains faithful, obedient service.