

OBEDIENCE TO GOD’S COMMANDS — UNCOMPROMISING ALIGNMENT

— Obedience to God’s Commands Beginner Teaching Outline

I. DOCTRINE STATEMENT — WHAT OBEDIENCE IS

- Obedience is walking after God, fearing Him, keeping His commands, obeying His voice, serving Him, and cleaving to Him. (Deut 13:4, summary)
- Obedience identifies covenant relationship, not mere rule compliance. (Exod 19:5; Lev 26:3, summaries)
- Servanthood begins with submission to God’s authority. (Josh 24:14; Ps 119:125, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Obedience defines who belongs to God.

II. OBEDIENCE AS HEARING AND RESPONDING

- God calls His people to hear His voice and respond in action. (Deut 28:1–2, summary)
- Hearing without obedience leads to deception. (Prov 13:13; James 1:22, summaries)
- Obedience confirms love and loyalty. (John 14:15; John 12:26, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Obedience always includes action.

III. OBEDIENCE AS LEARNED DEPENDENCE

- The servant asks God for understanding to obey rightly. (Ps 119:125; Ps 25:4–5, summaries)
- Trust replaces self-reliance in obedience. (Prov 3:5–6; Jer 17:7, summaries)
- Instruction must be held fast to preserve life. (Prov 4:13; Prov 10:17, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Obedience grows through humility and teachability.

IV. PURPOSE OF OBEDIENCE

- The whole duty of humanity is to fear God and keep His commandments. (Eccl 12:13, summary)
- Obedience stabilizes life amid vanity and uncertainty. (Eccl 1:2; Eccl 7:12, summaries)
- God’s commands preserve life and order. (Deut 30:15–16; Prov 19:16, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Obedience gives life direction.

V. OBEDIENCE AND WISDOM

- A wise servant gains favor through obedience. (Prov 14:35; Prov 17:2, summaries)
- Obedience protects from ruin and shame. (Prov 13:13; Prov 28:7, summaries)
- Wisdom and obedience walk together. (Prov 2:1–6; Ps 111:10, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Obedience is wisdom in action.

VI. NEW TESTAMENT CONFIRMATION

- Jesus defines obedience as following Him. (John 12:26; Luke 6:46, summaries)
- Love becomes the motivation for obedience. (John 14:21; 1 John 5:3, summaries)
- Obedience reveals true discipleship. (Matt 7:21; Rom 1:5, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Obedience flows from relationship with Christ.

VII. SERVANT IDENTITY MARKERS

- Servants listen for God’s instruction. (Isa 50:4–5; Ps 123:2, summaries)
- Servants obey before understanding outcomes. (Gen 12:1–4; Heb 11:8, summaries)
- Servants align actions with God’s Word. (Josh 1:7–8; Col 1:10, summaries)

Teaching Emphasis: Obedience marks true servants.

VIII. SUMMARY CONSOLIDATION

- Obedience establishes covenant alignment.
- Obedience confirms faith.
- Obedience defines servant identity.
- Obedience anchors life purpose.

Memory Anchor: “To fear God and keep His commandments is the whole duty of man.”
(Eccl 12:13, summary)

IX. TRANSITION TO NEXT DOCTRINE

- Obedience prepares the heart for humility.
- Submission precedes lowliness.
- Obedience opens the path to servant character formation.

X. COMMAND SUMMARY

- Obedience is the first and continual mark of a servant of God.