

# “Why Should We Obey God?”

Matthew 7:26-27



"If you are willing and obedient,  
You shall eat the good of the land;"

- ISAIAH 1:19

# OUTLINE

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- WE OBEY BECAUSE GOD IS OUR CREATOR
- WE OBEY BECAUSE WE LOVE HIM
- WE OBEY BECAUSE IT LEADS TO BLESSINGS
  - CONCLUSION
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# What is obedience?

## Christ's example:

\*Hebrews 5:8

\*Philippians 2:8

- To comply with a command/rule
- According to Vine's Dictionary:
  - \*hup (hoop) "under" and
  - \*akoe (ackoaye) "to hear"
- Obedience = under what is heard or hearing and acting accordingly

# We obey because He is our Creator.

**Ephesians 4:6** (1 Timothy 2:5)

**Malachi 2:10** “Have we not all one  
Father? Has not one  
God created us?”

**Romans 11:36-** God is the source.

**Acts 17:28**



# We obey because He is our Creator.

- His infinite knowledge provides all things to man; He knows what is best for us.
- **Psalms 100:3; Ezekiel 34:30-31**
- Supreme authority- nations, governments, peoples, & cultures exist at His will.



# We obey because we love Him.



- Obedience is the greatest proof of our love for Him. Love is the motivation for obedience.
- **John 14:15-** Older manuscripts highlight future “you will keep” if love, keep commandments (Ecclesiastes 12:13) to know and act upon that knowledge.
- **1 John 5:3-** It is impossible to have a relationship with God but not his commandments.

# We obey because we love Him.

- His love for us is unquestionable, unlimited. **1 John 4:19; 4:10**
- **Deuteronomy 6:5**—our love must be total devotion—Too much for some? Choice?
- Obedience does not earn God's love. **Romans 8:28**



# We obey because it leads to blessings.

- **Psalm 128:1**-happiness comes from trusting God and doing His will.
- God blesses the obedient. **James 1:17** - every good, every perfect GIFT
- Obedient = keeping commandments = access to God's mercy **Exodus 20:6**



# We obey because it leads to blessings.

- **Revelation 14:12**- keeping commandments produce patience.
- Keeping commandments allow us to “enter into life.” **Matthew 19:17**





WHAT GOD  
PROVIDES

MAN PROVIDES  
TOWARD SALVATION

# Conclusion

2 Corinthians 10:5

Romans 5:19

# Invitation

## Needing Jesus Christ?

HEAR

BELIEVE

REPENT

CONFESS

SUBMIT TO BAPTISM

LIVE FAITHFULLY

## Needing to Return to Christ

REPENT

CONFESS

PRAY FORGIVENESS

LIVE RIGHTEOUSLY