

# Obey

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## Introduction

1. Hebrews 5:8-9
2. Obey means: to be persuaded, to win over, to be persuaded, to listen to, to obey
3. Obedience is of the conduct and maybe observed. Acts 26:20; Matthew 3:8. An actual and outward result of the inward persuasion and consequent faith.
4. Our obedience to God ought to be showing. Is it?
  - a. We need to convert ourselves. Luke 22:32
  - b. We need to convert others. Acts 3:19
  - c. We need to convert brethren James 5:19-20
5. This then will show to others when we obey and continue. Revelation 2:10
6. Obedience is necessary

## II Discussion

1. Nature obeyed the Lord. Matthew 8:27; Psalm 33:9
2. Demons obeyed the Lord. Mark 1:27; Matthew 9:33; 12:22-23
3. Man must obey Acts 5:29
  - a. In the O. T. Hebrews 2:1
    - i. They had to suffer the consequences of disobedience Hebrews 10:26-31
    - ii. Saul 1 Samuel 15:22
    - iii. Achan Joshua 7:1; 20-26
    - iv. Noah Hebrews 11:7; 1 Peter 3:20-21
    - v. Moses had to build the tabernacle according to God's pattern Hebrews 8:5
  - b. N. T. Hebrews 5:8-9
    - i. Obedience to Christ must be from the heart Romans 6:16-17
    - ii. Yet pressure is put on some to "obey" (?)
      1. A man must be baptized before marrying a certain woman.
      2. Parents pressing a child to be baptized
      3. Preacher pressing a person to be baptized.
    - iii. Obedience must be from the right motive 1 Samuel 15:22
    - iv. Obedience must be directed by correct information Matthew 7:21-26
    - v. One must respond to God's Word, there must be action in obedience James 1:22-25; Acts 11:14; 8:35-40
4. Obedience is not:
  - a. A mere promise to obey Matthew 21:28-31
  - b. A pious profession of obedience Numbers 22:18; 1 Samuel 15:13-14
  - c. A response to the traditions and commandments of men Matthew 15:8-9
  - d. A substitution of human wisdom for God's ways. Genesis 4 Leviticus 10:1-2

## III Conclusion

1. Men must obey Christ in order to be saved Hebrews 5:8-9
2. Faith is commanded John 8:24; Mark 16:15
3. Repentance is demanded Luke 13:3 Acts 17:30-31
  5. Baptism is required Acts 2:38; 10:48
  6. This must show in our lives that we have been converted!
  7. We must have the mind of Christ. Philippians 2:5
  8. We must work at our salvation Philippians 2:12

Source: Vines; Focus on faith by Tom Holland sermon outlines from Hebrews.