

## WHY OBEY GOD?

### Because:

1. I am grateful for Christ paying the full penalty for my sins - *1 John 4:19*
2. Obeying God significantly improves the quality of my earthly life –  
*Luke 11:28*
3. At the Judgment Seat of Christ I will give an accounting of my faithfulness to His Word - *2 Cor 5:9-10*

## DIRECT COMMANDS OF JESUS BY TOPIC

	Number of times Command appears in the Gospels
1. Repent	2
2. Rejoice	2
3. Be an example	3
4. Understand Jesus' mission	2
5. Seek peace with others	5
6. Make no oaths	1
7. Give	8
8. Love and serve others	10
9. Be perfect	1
10. Seek to please God	6
11. Pray like this	10
12. Do not fear	15
13. Do not judge others	4
14. Beware of false doctrines	13
15. Pray for laborers	1
16. Come to Me	1
17. Deny yourself and take up your cross	5
18. Flee from sin	4
19. Remember little children	4
20. Forgive others	4
21. Love God	5
22. Be humble	5
23. Recognize the signs of the times	8
24. Make disciples	2
25. Have faith in God	4
26. Beware of greed	2
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TOTAL	127

\*Personal Holiness - 101; Kingdom Service – 26

## Obey

### What the New Testament Teaches About Obedience (New International Version)

#### Matthew 19:17

17 "Why do you ask me about what is good?" Jesus replied. "There is only One who is good. If you want to enter life, *obey* the commandments."

#### Matthew 28:19&20

19 "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to *obey* everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

#### Luke 11:28

28 He replied, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and *obey* it."

#### John 14:23-24

23 Jesus replied, "If anyone loves me, he will *obey* my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. 24 He who does not love me will not *obey* my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the Father who sent me. "

#### John 15:10

10 If you obey my commands, you will remain in my love, just as I have obeyed my Father's commands and remain in his love.

#### Acts 5:29

29 Peter and the other apostles replied: "We must *obey* God rather than men!"

#### Acts 5:32

32 We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who *obey* him.

#### Romans 6:16

16 Don't you know that when you offer yourselves to someone to *obey* him as slaves, you are slaves to the one whom you *obey*-whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience, which leads to righteousness?

#### 2 Thessalonians 1:8&9

8 He will punish those who do not know God and do not *obey* the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power.

#### Hebrews 5:9

9 and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who *obey* him

#### 1 John 2:3-4

3 We know that we have come to know him if we *obey* his commands. The man who says, "I know him," but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

#### 1 John 5:3

3 This is love for God: to *obey* his commands. And his commands are not burdensome,

#### Revelation 3:3

3 Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; *obey* it, and repent. But if you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what time I will come to you.

*The only thing in life that matters is obeying God. Obeying God is always in our best interest.*