

The problem with disobedience:

1. Disobedience shows misplaced fear
2. Disobedience shows a misplaced pleasure
3. Disobedience shows misplaced praise
4. Disobedience is a sin of divination
5. Disobedience is idolatry

“There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear.”
1 John 4:18 ESV

“For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.”
1 Peter 3:18 NIV

How do we apply these truths?

- Be Patient
- Be Accountable
- Be Humble
- Be Repentant
- Be Obedient

If Tomorrow Never Comes

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“Does the Lord delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the Lord?
To **obey** is better than sacrifice,
and to **heed** is better than the fat of rams.
For rebellion is like the sin of divination,
and arrogance like the evil of idolatry.”
1 Samuel 15:22-23a NIV (emphasis mine)

My Way or the Highway

1 Samuel 13:5-14 NIV

1 Samuel 15:1-30 NIV

“Come now, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and make a profit” yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.” James 4:13-14 ESV

Gaining _____ information will never bring
_____ transformation.

When the Israelites saw that their situation was critical and that their army was hard pressed, they hid in caves and thickets, among the rocks, and in pits and cisterns. Some Hebrews even crossed the Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead. 1 Samuel 13:6-7

The best of what we _____ is worthless to
our Creator if it is _____ more than
the Creator Himself.

“But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”
1 Samuel 16:7 NIV

An _____ sin will build walls around us
and keep us far from God. Only a
_____ heart can bring us close to God
by forgiveness.

“You have done a foolish thing,” Samuel said. “You have not kept the command the Lord your God gave you; if you had, he would have established your kingdom over Israel for all time. But now your kingdom will not endure; the Lord has sought out a man after his own heart and appointed him ruler of his people, because you have not kept the Lord’s command.”

1 Samuel 13:13-14 NIV

If it’s not God’s _____, someone will _____.

“Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.”

James 1:15 NIV

It’s not sinning that ruins man,
but sinning and not repenting.

Justifying our sin will never bring us _____
but only keep us in our spiritual _____.

Saul answered, “The soldiers brought them from the Amalekites; they spared the best of the sheep and cattle to sacrifice to the Lord your God, but we totally destroyed the rest.” 1 Samuel 15:15

The only sacrifice God expects from us is to
_____ to His voice and _____.

“Partial obedience is complete disobedience.” - Pastor David