WHO WILL YOU OBEY?

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Prayer

In Jesus name, Thank you Lord for another night in Your Presence. Father, Open our eyes to see in Your Word in Jesus name (Amen).

Study

Obedience is to conform to or comply with. As common as the word is and despite how quite a number of people are used to using the word, most people still really find it hard to fully understand what it means to obey. It is a thing to obey, it is another thing to obey the right words and instructions. Every instruction is not meant to be obeyed. Knowing the right instructions and persons to obey really matters a lot. There are some obedience that kicks against God. For example;

When a boss at work decides to instruct his accountant to forge signatures or change figures of some amounts of money, just to suit his pockets. Obeying such words can birth sin which is against the commandments of God. Channeling obedience in the right direction births powerful and wonderful results. Many of our fathers of faith were totally obedient unto God to the extent that we, their offsprings are enjoying such impacts till date. Sometimes, lack of obedience gives birth to sacrifices which might not be easy. This is why the bible says that obedience is better than sacrifice.

1 Samuel 15:22:

"**And Samuel said, Hath the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams**.

However, in the quest and struggle of knowing and deciding strongly who to obey, there are forces which will always stand against one's decisions. As christians, obedience to God and His commandments really matters a lot because God frowns at disobedience. That is one of the attributes Saul exhibited which made God reject him as a king.

Acts 5:29:

"**Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men**."

According to our topic, "who will you obey", it shows that there is more than a person in the picture and the question emanates from there that who amongst them will you obey. However, since we are christians, it shows that God is part of what makes up the question, who will you obey? Let's now look at the other factors which are capable of making someone's faze shifted from God to the extent that the person tends to obey them rather than God.

Who will you obey?

1. Man

2. The flesh

3. Money

4. God

It's very easy to pick God amongst these options, but looking deeply into your hearts and the surrounding situations, are you really sure you will obey him? Many times, we tend to answer questions thrown at us due to how emotional we are without even knowing the kind of person we are.

By the grace of God, after explaining some things to us, we will definitely know the one which we are going to obey if we are to be truthful with ourselves.

1. **Man**

Acts 5:29:

"**Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men**."

It's much easier these days to obey man than God. This is because we find ourselves in a world where we are surrounded by some people who tend to make us do what we do not wish to do. Parents these days create fear in their children to the extent that their children fear them more than God. And, some of these parents are not Born again, thereby enforcing things which are against the commandments of God on the children. I know of a particular parent who will tell his born again child to follow him to someone else's farm to harvest their products. This happened for many years. Now imagine, if such a child keeps allowing the fear of such parents in him, he will keep kicking against God's commandments because of his parents. This particular boy started refusing to follow his father to steal someone else's farm products after he had the knowledge of the truth. Even though his father kicked against it, he stood his ground, telling his father that he wouldn't do such because God is against it.

One of the results we get when we obey men rather than God is what happened in the book of Genesis, when Sarai gave her maid to Abraham just because she was barren. Instead of Abraham asking from God what to do, he decided to follow the instructions of his wife, even though it was against God and that is the result of many problems we are facing these days. Just because a person obeyed man other than God.

Another aspect is the aspect of being asked to engage in malpractice or quit your job. Many times, a lot of people have chosen to engage in such even though it's against their faith, but they believe that obeying the authority of men even though it's against the commandments of God will keep their job secured.

2. **Flesh:**

Galatians 5:17:

"For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would."

The flesh is a major entity which many obey far above God and His voice these days. The works of the flesh come in diverse ways and many are guilty of these. Many youths these days tend to obey their flesh more than they hearken to the voice of God through His Spirit. This is why you would see that fornication, adultery, drunkenness and the likes are very common these days. All these are works of the flesh and they war against the Spirit of a man. The more a person gives in to the works of the flesh, the more he moves away from the Spirit of God gradually because the flesh and the Spirit are enemies and two parallel lines which can never meet. The more you obey one, the

more the other departs and gets farther away. Choosing whom to obey between God and the flesh is sometimes difficult when the flesh has not been placed under thorough subjection. This is why the apostle Paul said, **"I die daily"** because there is no way one can be alive to the flesh and also obey God, one must go for one. This is why you would see that between couples sometimes, they pick fights amongst themselves and exchange blows, just because they have refused to listen to the Spirit of God, thereby obeying the flesh to do what the Spirit of God is against. Furthermore, obeying the flesh profits nothing and no one can do spiritual things through the power of the flesh. This is why the bible says

John 6:63:

"**It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life**."

The flesh has nothing good to offer but the Spirit quickeneth. It's the Spirit that does the work of the quickening of the mortal body. The flesh is so weak and can do nothing unless it's helped by the Spirit.

It takes to the flesh before one can obey God.

3. **Money**

This aspect is one of the aspects that directs humans these days. Everybody wants to make money, which isn't wrong or bad. However, the means by which the money is made is where the problem comes from these days. Many people have become the servants of money as they do anything for the sake of money. This is why even in churches these days, ushers embezzle money just because they cannot take their gaze off it. They find it hard to obey God and His

commandments but fall for temptations of money. Youths are engaging in fraudulent activities while some are sex workers all in the name of money.

And, the bible says:

Romans 6:16:

"Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?"

The moment one decides to yield to any means through which one can get money, one is indirectly turning himself to the slave of money. This is why some true servants of God don't get respected by people, especially politicians these days, just because they have brought themselves so low to the extent that the politicians throw money at them and they grab it the way a hungry monkey grabs a banana, without asking God whether to collect it or not. This is also why the Spirit of God can lead a person to drop the money he is having in church for the church project but he decides to obey money rather than the Spirit, thereby refusing to drop it. God will definitely use material things to test you to know how broken you are and how willing you are to sacrifice anything for Him. He tested Abraham with Isaac because He knew how precious Isaac was to Abraham and his wife. He would test you with money if he sees that you rate it highly in your life. This is one of the reasons we have a lot of churches founded because of money rather than God ordaining them to. Church founding has now become a business more than the fellowship of the brethren. Are you also obeying mammon rather

than God? Have you weighed yourself to see that money cannot take you away from God?

4. **God**

Matthew 6:33:

"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Seeking God requires complete obedience to His commandments. It requires you being totally obedient to His instructions. One of the mistakes we make in this christian journey is, believing that partial obedience is total obedience. This is a lie! If God gives you an instruction and you obey partially, you are still disobedient and have not obeyed! Partial obedience is not total obedience! It is still disobedience.This is why in our quest to obey God, we should ensure we obey Him in full and not partially. Being sensitive in the Spirit will go a long way in being able to obey God in full.

I pray that the grace to obey God totally is granted unto us in Jesus' name, Amen.

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