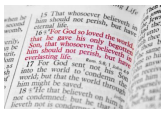


"True Love" & Obedience

(Deuteronomy 6:1-9; John 3:16)



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Let Us Consider :

John 3:16 in the context of other passages in scripture

- Mark 1:24 - unclean spirits acknowledges Jesus as Son of God
 - What conclusion are we forced to make?
- James 2:19 - confirms that obedience must accompany belief
 - Love, Faith, and Obedience cannot be separated!

Love & Obedience in Scripture:

Deuteronomy 6:1-25 "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God...and these words today which I command you shall be in your heart..."

Psalms 119 (verses):

- 16 delight myself in your statutes
- 20 my soul longs for your judgments
- 24 your testimonies are my delights
- 31 I cling to your testimonies
- 40 I long for your precepts
- 47 I love your commandments
- 97 O how I love your Law
- 113 I love your Law
- 119 I love your testimonies
- 159 I love your precepts

Does sound like a love that has a regard for God's commandments?

Same Love That Jesus Speaks Of:

- John 14:15 "If you love me, ..."
- John 14:21 "He who has my commandments..."
- John 14:23 "If anyone loves me..."
- John 15:10 "If you keep my commandments..."
- John 15:14 "You are my friends, if..."

Why do you call me Lord, Lord and not do the things which I say? (Luke 6:46)

"His yoke is easy and his burden is light" (Matthew 11:30):

Love God with all Your Heart	Matthew 22:37
Love One Another	John 15:12
Pray w/o Ceasing	1 Thessalonians 5:17
Sing, Encourage	Ephesians 5:19
Assemble Together	Hebrews 10:25
Preach the Word	Mark 16:15; Acts 8:4
Teach Others, Study	Col 3:16; 2 Tim 2:15
Rebuke False Teachers	1 Timothy 1:3
Be Like Minded	Philippians 1:27-28
Abstain from every form of evil	1 Thessalonians 5:22
Abstain from fleshly desires	1 Peter 2:11
Good Works (know to do and don't)	James 4:17
Mercy, kindness, meekness, patience, forgiveness, love	Colossians 3:12

Examples of Love's Relationship to Obedience:

Those With Excuses for Not Obeying:

- Adam (Genesis 3:12)
- Eve (Genesis 3:13)
- Cain (Genesis 4:9)
- Moses (Exodus 3:11-4:13)
- Saul (1 Samuel 10:8; 13:12; 15:3-20)
- Jonah (Jonah 1:2; 3)
- Elijah (1 Kings 19:10)
- Rich Young Ruler (Luke 18:18)
- Agrippa (Acts 26:28)

Examples of Love's Relationship to Obedience:

Obedience without Excuses:

Noah (Genesis 7:5)

Abram (Genesis 12:1)

David (2 Samuel 12:13)

Saul (Acts 9)

Apostles (Matthew 28:18, Mark 16:15)

Us?? (John 14:21)

If we say we love him and know him, we must keep his commandments! (1 John 2:3)

John 14:31

But that the world may know that I love the Father, and as the Father gave Me commandment, so I do.

John 14:15

If you love Me, keep My commandments.



LOVE & OBEDIENCE MUST GO TOGETHER!