

**Deut 6:2** - "that you may fear the Lord your God, to keep all His statutes and His commandments which I command you, you and your son and your grandson, all the days of your life and that your days may be prolonged. Therefore hear, O Israel, and be careful to observe it...."

LOVE OBEDIENCE LOVE

### **Rightly Dividing the Truth**

**John 3:16** "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

Matt 10:32 "Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven."

Matt 10:42 "And whoever gives one of these little one only a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple, I say to you, he shall by no means lose his reward"

Mark 9:47 "and if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out"



# What Then?

### Rightly Dividing the Truth

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

Mark 1:24 "Now there was a man in their synagogue with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, <sup>24</sup> saying, "Let us alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are—the Holy One of God!"

### **Conclusion?**

### James 2:19-24 - Faith without works is dead

"19 You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe—and tremble!

### **Love & Obedience in Scripture:**

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

# Psalms 119

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-10	achight mysch in your statutes
-20	my soul longs for your judgements
-24	your testimonies are my delights
-31	I cling to your testimonies
-40	I long for your precepts
-47	I love your commandments

O how I love your Law

delight myself in your statutes

-113 I love your Law

-119 I love your testimonies

-159 I love your precepts



### Same depth of love that Jesus speaks of in John 14:31

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

### **Additional passages in John**

ch 14:15	"If you love Me,"
ch 14:21	"he who has My commandments & keeps them"
ch 14:23	"If anyone loves Me,"
ch 14:24	"he who does not love Me, does not keep My words"
John 15:10	"If you keep My commandments,"
John 15:14	"you are My friends, if"

#### LOVE CONNECTED TO OBEDIENCE?

CAN WE LOVE GOD WITHOUT OBEDIENCE TO HIS COMMANDMENTS?

<u>Luke 6:46</u> Why do you call me Lord, Lord and not do the things which I say?

### **HIS COMMANDMENTS ("Things I say....)**

**Eph 2:10** His workmanship, created for good works...that we should walk in them

**Matt 11:30** His yoke is easy and his burden is light

Love God with all our heart (Mt 22:37)

Love one another (John 15:12)

Pray without ceasing (1 Thess 5:17)

Sing (Eph 5:19)

Assemble together (Heb 10:25)

Preach the Word (Mark 16:15)

Teach others, study (Col 3:16, 2 Tim 2:15)

Rebuke false teachers (1 Tim 1:3)

Be like minded (Phil 1:27)

Abstain from every form of evil (1 Thess 5:22)

Submit to one another (Eph 5:21)

Exhort one another (Heb 3:13)

Admonish one another (Col 3:16)

Train children in the Lord (Eph 6:4)

Mercy, kindness, meekness, patience, forgiveness (Col 3:12)

Unspotted from the world (James 1:27)

### **Examples of Love's Relationship to Obedience:**

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Excuses for Not Obeying:
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Adam (Gen 3:12)
Eve (Gen 3:13)
Cain (Gen 4:9)
Moses (Exodus 3:11-4:13)
Saul (1 Sam 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)
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#### Obedience without Excuse:

Noah (Gen 7:5)

Abram (Gen 12:1)

David (2 Sam 12:13)

Saul (Acts 9)

Apostles (Matt 28:18, Mk 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!**



# **DEUT 10:12-13**

12 "And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, 13 and to keep the commandments of the LORD and His statutes which I command you today for your good?"