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# Me Believer 5 OBEDIENCE

### Exodus 19:3-6 (NKJV)

3And Moses went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the children of Israel: 4'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to Myself. 5Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine. 6And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel."

# Introduction

- "Yes", "Promise", "I do..."
- Following the call of God into your life, God is waiting for your response—obedience.
- Obedience is the key to God's heart.
- Obedience is better than sacrifice.

As believers of Christ, we should obey God in the following areas:

# 1. Water Baptism

a. This is the first obedience that needs to be done as Christ has commanded.

# Matthew 28:19-20 (NKJV)

<sup>19</sup>Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

# b. This is an example that Jesus Himself has done for you to follow Him.

- A sign of repentance

A sign
of burying
your old life

# Matthew 3:15 (NK.IV)

said to him, "Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him.

# c. Self-Reflection

- Have you made this first obedience?
- Have you repented from all your
- Have you buried your old life?
- When you were water baptized, did you really understand its real meaning?

# 2. Covenant

- a. It is a binding agreement between God and man.
- This is what the greatest men (God-called) in the Bible held upon their entire lives.
- e.g. Adam, Abraham, Noah, Moses, David, Jesus

# b. It is a "no turning back" decision.

- When a covenant is followed, there are blessings.

# Deuteronomy 28:1-2 (NKJV)

"Now it shall come to pass, if you diligently obey the voice of the Lord your God, to observe carefully all His commandments which I command you today, that the Lord your God will set you high above all nations of the earth. <sup>2</sup>And all these blessings shall come upon

you and overtake you, because you obey the voice of the Lord your God.

- When a covenant is broken, there are consequences.

# Deuteronomy 28:15 (NKJV)

"But it shall come to pass, if you do not obey the voice of the Lord your God, to observe carefully all His commandments and His statutes which I command you today, that all these curses will come upon you and overtake you."

- c. Self-Reflection: Look back to what God has done to you in the past:
- What did God say to you?
- What did you say to God?

# 3. Commitment

- It is entrusting something valuable to God.
- It involves trust, pledge, and obligation.
- a. Commitment to God is loving God with your all.
- Commit every aspect of your lives to loving God.

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Tulad ng pagmamahal ng ating Diyos Ama sa atin bilang Kaniyang mga anak, ang ating mga dakilang ama ay atin ding ipinagdiwang sa kanilang espesiyal na araw. Nakisaya ang bawat isa upang gunitain ang araw ng mga ama noong Hunyo 16, Linggo matapos ganapin ang Sunday Service sa Parañaque at Cabuyao, Laguna.

Isang nakakaaliw na programa naman ang inihanda ng buong pamilya ng UCF para sa ating mga dakilang ama. Puno ng nakakaaliw na presentasiyon ang handog ng bawat fellowship group upang maipadama ang kanilang pagmamahal at pasasalamat sa ating mga tatay sa pamamagitan ng mga taos-pusong kanta, magigiliw na sayaw at nakakaaliw na skit. Nagkaroon din ng masayang fellowship ang bawat isa kasabay ng mga pagkaing kanilang pinagsalu-saluhan. Mayroon ding inihandang munting regalo ang mga fellowship group sa ating mga tatay na kanila ring kinasiyahang tanggapin.



# Fellowship

Nagsalu-salo naman sa malinamnam na mga putahe ang kapatiran bilang masayang selebrasiyon para sa ating mga ama kasama ang kanilang mga pamilya sa panambahan.



1 Thessalonians 2:11-12 (NKJV) <sup>11</sup>As you know how we exhorted, and comforted, and charged every one of you, as a father does his own children, <sup>12</sup>that you would walk worthy of God who calls you into His own kingdom and glory.

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In the fear of the Lord there is strong confidence, And His children will have a place of refuge.

Proverbs 14:26 (NKJV)

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Matatamis na mga ngiti ang makikita sa mukha ng bawat ama kasama ang kanilang mga pamilya at kapatiran sa *photobooth area*. Tunay na kasiya-siya ang buhay ng bawat amang nagmamahal at nagtataguyod sa kanilang pamilya kasama ang Panginoon.















Proverbs 14:26-27 (NKJV) <sup>26</sup>In the fear of the Lord there is strong confidence, And His children will have a place of refuge. <sup>27</sup>The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life, To turn one away from the snares of death.

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# HEALTH FEATURE

# PREVENTION DURING FLU SEASON

lu season in the Philippines happens during the rainy days, starting from June to December. Proper sanitation and prevention are needed during these times since the Influenza virus thrives in weather that is either cold and dry, or humid and rainy.

Flu viruses are easily spread through tiny droplets made whenever people with flu cough, sneeze, or talk. These droplets can travel about two meters through the air and could cause flu if inhaled by people nearby. The best way to prevent having flu is to get vaccinated every year. But there are also other ways to prevent getting flu. Read and follow carefully the prevention tips below so we can continuously stay fit and healthy amidst the flu season.





# **AVOID TOUCHING YOUR EYES, NOSE, OR MOUTH**

Germs are easily spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his eyes, nose, or mouth.

# AVOID CLOSE CONTACT WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE SICK

When you are sick, keep a safe distance from others to protect them from getting infected. This can help lower the risk of spreading the virus.

# **COVER YOUR MOUTH AND NOSE**

Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing to prevent spreading the virus. Flu viruses are spread through droplets made when coughing, sneezing, or talking. Wearing a mask is an additional prevention that you can do to protect yourself and others. When worn by a person with an infection, masks reduce the spread of the virus to others. It can also protect wearers from breathing in infectious particles.

# **CLEAN YOUR HANDS**

Washing your hands regularly will protect you from getting germs. Use an alcohol-based hand rub if soap and water are not available.



# PRACTICE GOOD HYGIENE AND MAINTAIN HEALTHY HABITS

Cleaning frequently-touched surfaces, such as countertops, handrails, and doorknobs regularly can help prevent the spread of some illnesses. Also, get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food.

# **REST AT HOME WHEN YOU ARE SICK**

If possible, **rest at home** instead of going to work or school, or doing any errand when you are sick. You can go back to your normal activities when, for at least 24 hours, you experience both:



- Your symptoms are improving overall.
- You have a normal body temperature and you are not using fever-reducing medication anymore.

# STAY HEALTHY!

Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.

3 John 1:2 (NKJV)

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### Mark 12:29-30 (NKJV)

<sup>29</sup>Jesus answered him, "The first of all the commandments is: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. <sup>30</sup>And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment."

- b. Commitment to God must surpass your commitment even to your loved ones.
- Commit to God even if you will be persecuted by your loved ones.

# Matthew 10:37 (NKJV)

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He who loves father or mother

more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.

- c. Commitment to God is one's total self-denial, cross-bearing, and the continual following of Christ.
- Commit to God with selflessness, sacrifices, and services daily.

### Luke 9:23 (NKJV)

Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me."

- d. Commitment to God is to have the ultimate purpose of your life to live for Christ.
- Commit to God in doing His will

in your life every day.

# Galatians 2:20 (NKJV)

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

- e. Commitment to God is committing from the start until the end.
- Commit to God at all times, in blessings and successes, and even in failures and difficult times.
- Commit to God until the second coming of Jesus.

# Philippians 1:21 (NKJV)

For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

### f. Self-Reflection

 What are the things that hinder your commitment to God?

# Challenge

### Exodus 19:5 (NKJV)

Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine.

Be a special treasure before God. Obey God.

- Be water-baptized with the real meaning.
- Establish and keep your covenant with God.
- Be diligent to do your commitment to God.





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