

Do believers have to obey God in order to be his children?

Ephesians 2:8-10 ⁸ For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God: ⁹ Not of works, lest any man should boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Hear

Hebrew Word 8085: שָׁמַע

Transliteration: shāma'

Root: a primitive root

to *hear* intelligently (often with implication of attention, obedience, etc.; causative to *tell*, etc.) :- x attentively, call (gather) together, x carefully, x certainly, consent, consider, be content, declare, x diligently, discern, give ear, (cause to, let, make to) hear (-ken, tell), x indeed, listen, make (a) noise, (be) obedient, obey, perceive, (make a) proclaim (-ation), publish, regard, report, shew (forth), (make a) sound, x surely, tell, understand, whosoever [heareth], witness.

Greek Word 191: ἀκούω

Transliteration: akouō

Root: a root

Part of Speech: v

a primary verb; to *hear* (in various senses) :- give (in the) audience (of), come (to the ears), ([shall]) hear (-er, -ken), be noised, be reported, understand.

Greek Word 189: ἀκοή

Transliteration: akoē

Root: from G191

Part of Speech: n f

hearing (the act, the sense or the thing heard) :- audience, ear, fame, which ye heard, hearing, preached, report, rumoral

Obey

Hebrew Word 8085 : שָׁמַע

Transliteration: shāma'

(see hear above)

Greek Word 3982: πείθω

Transliteration: peithō

Root: a primary verb

Part of Speech: v

to *convince* (by argument, true or false); by analogy to *pacify* or *conciliate* (by other fair means); reflexive or passive to *assent* (to evidence or authority), to *rely* (by inward certainty) :- agree, assure, believe, have confidence, be (wax) confident, make friend, obey, persuade, trust, yield.

Greek Word 3980: πειθαρχέω

Transliteration: peitharcheō

Root: from compound of G3982 & G757

Part of Speech: v

from a compound of G3982 (peitho) and G757 (archo); to *be persuaded* by a ruler, i.e. (general) to *submit* to authority; by analogy to *conform* to advice :- hearken, obey (magistrates).

Greek Word 5219: ὑπακούω

Transliteration: hypakouō

Root: from G5259 and G191

Part of Speech: v

from G5259 (hupo) and G191 (akouo); to *hear under* (as a subordinate), i.e. to *listen attentively*; by implication to *heed* or *conform* to a command or authority :- hearken, be obedient to, obey.

Greek Word 5218: ὑπακοή
Transliteration: hypakoē
Root: from G5219
Part of Speech: n f

from G5219 (hupakouo); *attentive hearkening*, i.e. (by implication) *compliance* or *submission* :- obedience, (make) obedient, obey (-ing).

Obedience

Romans 1:5

⁵ By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:

Romans 6:16

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?

Romans 16:19

¹⁹ For your obedience is come abroad unto all *men*. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil.

Romans 16:26

²⁶ But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:

2 Corinthians 7:14-15

¹⁴ For if I have boasted any thing to him of you, I am not ashamed; but as we spake all things to you in truth, even so our boasting, which *I made* before Titus, is found a truth.

¹⁵ And his inward affection is more abundant toward you, whilst he remembereth the obedience of you all, how with fear and trembling ye received him.

2 Corinthians 10:4-6

⁴ (For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) ⁵ Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

⁶ And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

Hebrews 5:8

⁸ Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;

1 Peter 1:2

² Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

1 Peter 1:14

¹⁴ As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:

Proverbs 25:11-12

¹¹ A word fitly spoken *is like* apples of gold in pictures of silver. ¹² As an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, *so is* a wise reprovener upon an obedient ear.

Isaiah 1:18

¹⁸ Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

Acts 6:7

⁷ And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Philippians 2:8

⁸ And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

Titus 2:9

⁹ *Exhort* servants to be obedient unto their own masters, *and* to please *them* well in all *things*; not answering again;

Exodus 5:2

² And Pharaoh said, Who *is* the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go.

Deuteronomy 28:1-2

¹ And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe *and* to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: ² And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.

Psalms 18:43-44

⁴³ Thou hast delivered me from the strivings of the people; *and* thou hast made me the head of the heathen: a people *whom* I have not known shall serve me. ⁴⁴ As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me: the strangers shall submit themselves unto me.

Jeremiah 7:22-23

²² For I spake not unto your fathers, nor commanded them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices: ²³ But this thing commanded I them, saying, Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people: and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you.

Jeremiah 11:3-4

³ And say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel; Cursed *be* the man that obeyeth not the words of this covenant, ⁴ Which I commanded your fathers in the day *that* I brought them forth out of the land of Egypt, from the iron furnace, saying, Obey my voice, and do them, according to all which I command you: so shall ye be my people, and I will be your God:

Jeremiah 11:7

⁷ For I earnestly protested unto your fathers in the day *that* I brought them up out of the land of Egypt, *even* unto this day, rising early and protesting, saying, Obey my voice.

Jeremiah 12:17

¹⁷ But if they will not obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 38:19-20

¹⁹ And Zedekiah the king said unto Jeremiah, I am afraid of the Jews that are fallen to the Chaldeans, lest they deliver me into their hand, and they mock me. ²⁰ But Jeremiah said, They shall not deliver *thee*. Obey, I beseech thee, the voice of the LORD, which I speak unto thee: so it shall be well unto thee, and thy soul shall live.

Acts 5:29

²⁹ Then Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

Acts 5:32

³² And we are his witnesses of these things; and *so is* also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

Romans 2:8

⁸ But unto them that are contentious, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath,

Romans 6:12-16

¹² Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. ¹³ Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. ¹⁴ For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace. ¹⁵ What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid. 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?

Galatians 3:1

¹ O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?

Galatians 5:7

⁷ Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?

2 Thessalonians 1:8

⁸ In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Hebrews 5:9

⁹ And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;

1 Peter 4:17

¹⁷ For the time *is come* that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if *it first begin* at us, what shall the end *be* of them that obey not the gospel of God?

Romans 6:17

¹⁷ But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.

Hebrews 11:8

⁸ By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

Doing Truth**1 John 3:7-10**

⁷ Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. ⁸ He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil. ⁹ Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God. ¹⁰ In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

2 John 1:11

¹¹ For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds.

Romans 10:5

⁵ For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the law, That the man which doeth those things shall live by them.

Matthew 7:21

²¹ Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

James 1:23

²³ For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

James 1:25

²⁵ But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth *therein*, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

James 4:11

¹¹ Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of *his* brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge.

Romans 2:13

¹³ (For not the hearers of the law *are* just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.

James 1:22

²² But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

Galatians 3:12

¹² And the law is not of faith: but, The man that doeth them shall live in them.

Ephesians 6:8

⁸ Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether *he be* bond or free.

James 4:17

¹⁷ Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth *it* not, to him it is sin.

1 John 2:17

¹⁷ And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

1 John 2:29

²⁹ If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.

2 John 1:10

¹⁰ If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into *your* house, neither bid him God speed: