



## BEING SUBMISSIVE TO GOD

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Submissive is something that most of us have a real issue in being. The blessing of freewill, for most, get in the way of really calling Jesus Christ Lord. For most, we are seemingly submissive as long as our Lord's will coincide with our own. However, at the point that our will and our Lord's will conflict, we have the tendency to follow our own will and disregard the Lord's.

This type of submission is not submission at all, and these tendencies are destructive to the salvation of mankind. Jesus tells us, "Not everyone who says to me, Lord, Lord, will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name? And then will I declare to them, I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness." (Matthew 7:21-23, ESV)

Submission to God means that we are obedient to God's commands

regardless of our desire. Even if I don't understand the significance or importance of the command, it is my duty to be obedient if I'm truly submissive.

An illustration to this fact has been told for decades regarding a man during the days of the pioneers who decided to move his family to Kentucky. The man was sickly and needed to escape the crowded dirty life of the city, so he sent his oldest son to go to newly purchased piece of land and prepare a homestead for the family. He instructed him to build a cabin, a barn, and dig a well. The man drew up some plans showing

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### Service Times

#### Sunday

Bible Study	10:00 am
Morning Worship	10:45 am
Evening Worship	6:00 pm

#### Wednesday

Bible Study	7:00 pm
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# TODAY'S WORSHIP

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## PRAYER LIST

### HEALTH

Sarah Adams	Bob Meiers
Josh Becker	Gaylin Miller
Michelle Becker	Mike Miller
Bill Brown	Katelyn Norris
Ed Brown	Don Philips
Dawn Copes	Hallie Philips
Delaney Diggs	Sharron Presley
Michael Doty	Cora Shrake
Ann Egan	Coty Smith
Shirley Engold	Shirley Ukena
Dan Franklin	Raymond Warfel
John Geer	Don Whitaker
Tom Haines	Rhonda Wood
George Hauser	Ron Wood
Keith Hodges	Mark Young
Skylar Huffstutler	Joan Zindel
Erin Jones	
Beula Keppler	

### ENCOURAGEMENT AND TRAVELING

Kenny Block  
Rudie Miller  
Witt Sesser and  
Family  
Blake Woolard

## ORDER OF SERVICE

### MORNING

Song Leader	David Craig
Opening Prayer	Don Craig
Lord's Table	Bob Whitaker
Assist	Eric Whitaker
Assist	Bob Calvert
Assist	Jerry Witt
Lesson	Shawn Daniels
Closing Prayer	Don Philips

### EVENING

Song Leader	Bob Whitaker
Opening Prayer	Don Craig
Lesson	Shawn Daniels
Closing Prayer	Jerry Witt

## TODAY'S SERMON:

### THE BOOK OF HEBREWS: CHRIST SUPERIOR TO ANGELS

"Your throne, O God, is forever and ever,  
the scepter of uprightness is the scepter  
of Your kingdom."

**- Heb 1:8**

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

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Either the Bible will keep you from sin  
or sin will keep you from the Bible!

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were on the land he wanted the cabin, barn, and well situated.

The son took the plans and headed for Kentucky. Once he arrived, he took out his plans and examined it and said, "Yes, my father is exactly right with reference to the cabin, that is where it ought to be built," and he built the cabin exactly according to the plan. Again, he examined his plans and said, "Yes, my father is exactly right with reference to the barn, that is exactly where it ought to be built," and so he built the barn exactly according to the plan. But when he came to digging the well, he said, "My father is entirely wrong about this. The well would be much better dug here in another spot." So, he dug the well at the place that he thought it ought to be.

In which part of the plan was the son submissive to his father? Most would say he was submissive to his father's will in two instances and point out the cabin and barn. But in actuality, the son was not submissive in any part of the plan. It just so happened that the plans of his father met the approval of the son. He didn't do it because his father instructed him to do so. Because as soon as his father's plans conflicted with his desires, he followed his desires.

This is what many that claim Jesus as their Lord and King do. They are obedient to Jesus' commands up to the point that it conflicts with their viewpoint or desire. Let us be careful to steer clear from such rebellious actions.

It is very easy for us to get caught up with all the commands that we do keep, that we

try to justify those that we do not keep. In the text above, the people cried out, "Did we not prophesy, did we not cast out demons, and did we not do all these mighty works?" Do you see the folly of our thinking? They tried to justify their rebellious acts by their "obedience." This will not work with God! Jesus, in the text above, denounced such rebellious acts as being lawlessness.

If you call Jesus your Lord, then be submissive. That means that you are obedient to His commands in every instance, even when they disagree with your personal tradition, viewpoint, understanding, or desire. He requires no less than absolute love, dedication, and submission.

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(See Matthew 7:15)

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THE WOLF FOUND THAT SHEPHERD'S CLOTHING WORKED EVEN BETTER

# Sermon Notes

