



LECTURE 5

DISCOVERING *the* SECRET
of OBEDIENCE *to* GOD

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The servant has one responsibility and that is to do what his master has given him to do. You need to know who your Master is. Many people spend their lives trying to master others, but we need to spend our lives allowing God to master us.

SET IN ORDER

“To Titus, mine own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour. For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee.” Titus 1:4-5

AVOID

“This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men. But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain.” Titus 3:8-9

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THE LORD JESUS CHRIST PROVIDES US WITH THE EXAMPLE OF OBEDIENCE

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."

Philippians 2:5-8

We must have the mind of Christ in order to discern between what we are to set in order and what we are to avoid.

"And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him." John 8:29

WE DO NOT LEAD BY SERVING; WE LEAD BY OBEYING

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The Lord Jesus did not develop a plan or cast a vision. He obeyed His Father's will.

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THE PEOPLE ARE NOT THE MASTER; THE LORD GOD IS THE MASTER

“If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour.” John 12:26

MAKING SERVICE THE GOAL LEADS TO THE IDEA THAT WE CAN NEVER DO ENOUGH

“But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.” Acts 20:24

WE ARE TO BE THE SERVANTS OF GOD, AND GOD WILL GIVE US WHAT HE WANTS US TO DO

“And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” Matthew 4:19

God’s work is not to advance our work. Our work is to advance God’s work.

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