# Joy in Obedience

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- Acts 5:29 But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men."
- **John 8:51 -** *Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone* **obeys** *my word, he will never see death.*
- **John 14:23** Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will **obey** my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him."
- **Jeremiah 35:18–19** 18 But to the house of the Rechabites Jeremiah said, "Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Because you have **obeyed** the command of Jonadab your father and kept all his precepts and done all that he commanded you, 19 therefore thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Jonadab the son of Rechab shall never lack a man to stand before me."
- Colossians 3:20 20 Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.
- **1 John 5:3** 3 For this is the love of God, that we **obey** His commandments; and His commandments are not burdensome.

"Obedience to God always leads to joy. Joy for you and joy for others."

## **Story of Peter**

Luke 5:4-6 - 4 When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Now go out where it is deeper, and let down your nets to catch some fish." 5 "Master," Simon replied, "we worked hard all last night and didn't catch a thing. But if you say so, I'll let the nets down again." 6 And this time their nets were so full of fish they began to tear!

## **Story of Abraham**

Genesis 22:17-18 - "17 I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, 18 and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have **obeyed** my voice."

### **Questions to Ask Yourself**

What is one thing you need to START doing? What is one thing you need to STOP doing? What is one thing you need to KEEP doing?

#### The Obedience of Jesus

Hebrews 12:2 - "Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne."