



They come in the form of addictions; the things we believe to be true about God, ourselves and others. They are the deep hurts and chronic heart pain that has shaped our thinking and often defined us.

They are our issues.

Jesus' remedy for our issues is the Truth. He said if we knew the truth, we would be free. (John 8:32).

Welcome to New Heart Healing and Recovery | an experience with *The Truth and the Issue*.

T H E I S S U E O B E D I E N C E

FIRST THOUGHTS

What's the first thing that came to mind when you opened this pamphlet and saw the word OBEDIENCE?

In our culture of independence and self-sufficiency, "obedience" seems almost derogatory. It almost sounds like an insult to tell someone they must obey. The word "obedience," like the word "submissive," has a certain cultural stigma to it.

On the other hand, we're constantly told to obey the law. Yet even then most of us have a hard time just obeying the speed limit!

GRACE VS. OBEDIENCE

As Christians we are told to obey the Law of God too, but if we don't, it's okay—because of the Grace of God. If I disobey, my sin is forgiven by Jesus, right? I don't have to worry about being obedient, right? I can do whatever I want.

REALLY?

If you have a hard time obeying God, maybe it's because you have a hard time *loving* God. And if you have a hard time loving God, maybe it's because you don't really *know* God.

If God seems like a genie in a bottle, a sleepy old man or just too big and too far away to bother caring about what you do, then what you believe about God is wrong.

T H E T R U T H ABOUT O B E D I E N C E



WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

Jesus says, "If you love me, you will obey my commands" | John 14:15 NIV.

And then Jesus prayed: "O righteous Father, the world doesn't know you, but I do; and these disciples know you sent me. I have revealed you to them, and I will continue to do so. Then your love for me will be in them, and I will be in them" | John 17:25-26 NLT.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

What it means is that if you know Jesus Christ, you will love Him, and if you love Him, you will obey Him.

"So if I'm a Christian, doesn't that mean I automatically know Jesus? So why is it so hard to be obedient?"

IT'S NOT AUTOMATIC

John 17 above says that Jesus' **disciples** know God because Jesus has revealed Him to them. So it's not just automatic. We must be disciples—up close and personal—with Jesus.

We must make CHOICES to get to KNOW Jesus!

CHOOSE TO BE A DISCIPLE

A disciple of Christ *chooses* to get to know Him. How do you get to know someone? By spending time, listening, by watching and observing, by leaning His way, by sharing everything with Him.

As you spend time with Jesus in prayer, in the Word, and by simply acknowledging His presence in your day to day life; as you pay attention to what He's doing around you, in you, and through you; as you begin to hear His voice, you will not be able to resist Him. You will truly come to love Him in a truer, deeper way.

And if you truly LOVE HIM, you will **WANT TO OBEY HIM** (John 14:15).

CHOOSE TO GET TO KNOW JESUS TODAY AND EVERYDAY!

Welcome to New Heart Healing and Recovery

New Heart Healing and Recovery is based on the promise of the Father recorded in Ezekiel 36:26 (TLB)

"I will give you a new heart with new and right desires, and I will put a new spirit in you."

Whether you are an alcoholic, drug, gambling, or sex addict; or a man or woman wrestling with the pain of their core issues (shame, rejection, abuse, anger, unforgiveness) you are invited to join us in the amazing faith-driven experience of exchanging a broken, cynical, unbelieving heart for a new one.

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newheartministry.com

Talk to Us



Do you have a Prayer Request?

How Can We Help You?

I WOULD LIKE SOMEONE TO SHOW ME HOW I CAN KNOW JESUS AS SAVIOR.

I NEED COUNSELING.

OTHER: _____

Your Information

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Thank You

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