# <u>There are 3 Major</u> <u>categories of Obedience in</u> <u>the Bible</u>

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In the bible there are three major categories of obedience. The first is the Commandments of God, then the second is the Decrees of God and third is the Statutes of God. Notice that they are all over the bible, line by line, precepts by precepts and a little here and a little there. So, if you don't read your entire bible, you'll never be able to find how to lead a victorious life in Christ let alone lived it. You need to diligently study your bible thoroughly.

The first is the 10 commandments of God. This is found in the book of Exodus 20.

- 1. I am the Lord thy God! Thou shalt have no other Gods but me!
- 2. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain!
- 3. Thou shalt keep the Sabbath Day holy!
- 4. Thou shalt honor father and mother!

- 5. Thou shalt not kill!
- 6. Thou shalt not commit adultery!
- 7. Thou shalt not steal!
- 8. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour!
- 9. Do not let thyself lust after thy neighbor's wife!

10. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, nor his farm, nor his cattle, nor anything that is his!

Then there are the Decrees of God. The decrees are proclamations or declarations that God has made in the past, the present and the future. Its either done by God himself, Jesus, the Son of God or by his prophets. Below are some of the important decrees that God has made which no one must violate. He will punish those who do not obey his words. The list is not exhaustive, its only a sample. The bible is a thick book and has 66 chambers. You'll need to plough through the entire bible to see what God says carefully.

#### 1. Exodus 15:26 (New International Version)

26 He said, "If you listen carefully to the LORD your God and do what is right in his eyes, if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees, I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the LORD, who heals you."

#### 2. Deuteronomy 4:2 (New International Version)

2 Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the LORD your God that I give you.

#### 3. Deuteronomy 28:13 (New International Version)

13 The LORD will make you the head, not the tail. If you pay attention to the commands of the LORD your God that I give you this day and carefully follow them, you will always be at the top, never at the bottom.

#### 4. Numbers 23:19 (New International Version)

19 God is not human, that he should lie not a human being, that he should change his mind. Does he speak and then not act? Does he promise and not fulfill?

#### 5. Jeremiah 33:3 (New International Version)

3 'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.'

# 6. Jeremiah 29:13 (New International Version)

13 You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

# 7. Isaiah 45:5 (New International Version)

5 I am the LORD, and there is no other apart from me there is no God.

# 8. Isaiah 55:11 (New International Version)

11 so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty,

but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.

9. Proverbs 19:9 (New International Version)

9 A false witness will not go unpunished and whoever pours out lies will perish.

#### 10. Proverbs 8:34-35 (New International Version)

34 Blessed are those who listen to me, watching daily at my doors,

waiting at my doorway. 35 For those who find me find life and receive favour from the LORD.

#### 11. Matthew 24:35 (New International Version)

35 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

#### 12. John 3:5 (New International Version)

5 Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit.

# 13. John 14:6 (New International Version)

6 Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

# 14. John 11:25-26 (New International Version)

25 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; 26 and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

# 15. John 17:11 (New International Version)

11 I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of[a] your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one.

#### 16. Revelation 2:7 (New International Version)

7 Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.

These are but a sample of God's declaration of what he will do for those who achieve what he says. Because it is a decreed statement it shall come to pass. God cannot lie. Now we come to the final third categories of obedience, the Statutes of God.

# 1. 2 Chronicles 26:5 (New International Version)

5 He sought God during the days of Zechariah, who instructed him in the fear[a] of God. As long as he sought the LORD, God gave him success.

# 2. Isaiah 28:10 (King James Version)

10 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:

# 3. Joshua 1:7 (New International Version)

7 'Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go.

# 4. Jeremiah 15:19 (New International Version – UK)

Therefore this is what the LORD says: 'If you repent, I will restore you that you may serve me; if you utter worthy, not worthless, words, you will be my spokesman. Let this people turn to you, but you must not turn to them.

#### 5. Psalm 107:20 (New International Version)

20 He sent out his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave.

# 6. 2 Corinthians 13:1 (New International Version)

This will be my third visit to you. "Every matter must be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses."

# 7. Matthew 4:4 (New King James Version)

4 But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.' "

# 8. Matthew 6:14-15 (New International Version)

14 For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

# 9. John 14:15 (New International Version)

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# 10. John 10:27 (New International Version)

27 My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.

# 11. James 4:2-3 (New International Version)

2 You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. 3 When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

#### 12. Colossians 3:15 (New International Version)

15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

#### 13. John 14:27 (New International Version)

27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

# 14. Philippians 4:6-7 (New International Version)

6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

# 15. Luke 11:13 (New International Version)

13 If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

# 16. James 1:5 (New International Version)

5 If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

#### 17. Romans 10:17 (New King James Version)

17 So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

#### 18. John 8:47 (New International Version)

47 Whoever belongs to God hears what God says. The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God."

There are much more to write but you can go through the entire and pick those up yourself. I am only giving a portion of the treasures in the bible by picking out what you should memorised and put it into your heart, mind and soul. By trusting all these words that God and Jesus has taught us; we can be assured of our favour and victory with God. Our lives must change and include all these words of wisdom and apply them into our lives as a way of life. The Jesus Way. Then we can see the promises of God fulfilled in our lives as he said what he would do for those who obey his words. Your success is dependent on how you interpret those words. Interpret them wrongly and you get nothing, interpret them correctly then the supernatural life will be opened unto you; as in the Kingdom of God. It's in the Kingdom of God that you will experience the supernatural life in Christ Jesus. Only if you can understand then can you obey, obedience to a wrong teaching can never bring the blessings of God upon your life because you believed in a lie and not the Truth of God.