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The truth is that faith and obedience are two sides of the same coin and are always found together in the Scriptures. As well try to pry apart the two sides of a half-dollar as to separate obedience from faith. The two sides, while they remain together and are taken as one, represent good sound currency and constitute legal tender everywhere in the United States. Separate them and they are valueless. Insistence upon honoring but one side of the faith-obedience coin has wrought frightful harm in religious circles. Faith has been made everything and obedience nothing. The result among religious persons is moral weakness, spiritual blindness and a slow but constant drift away from New Testament Christianity. Through him and for his name's sake, we received grace and apostleship to call people from among all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith. Romans 1:5

Our Lord made it very plain that spiritual truth cannot be understood until the heart has made a full committal to it. â€œIf anyone chooses to do God's will, he will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own" (John 7:17). The willing and the doing (or at least the willingness to do) come before the knowing. Truth is a strict master and demands obedience before it will unveil its riches to the seeking soul.

For those who want chapter and verse here are a few, and there are plenty more: Matthew 7:21; John 14:21; First John 2:4, 3:24, 5:2; First Peter 1:2; James 2:14-26; Romans 1:5; and Acts 5:32.

To sum it up, saving faith is impossible without willing obedience. To try to have one without the other is to be not a Christian, but a student of Christianity merely. Genuine faith generates obedience to the one in whom our faith rests.

Re: The Inseparability of Faith and Obedience A.W.Tozer - posted by JFW (), on: 2017/5/30 22:39

Amen!

Even tho I often fall short, this is nonetheless the truth that no one really preaches or teaches anymore... it's like nowadays people think we can be "christians" without being disciples/obedient, possibly one of the great tragedies of church.

Thanks for posting sister:)

Re: The Inseparability of Faith and Obedience A.W.Tozer - posted by StirltUp (), on: 2017/5/31 6:57

Agreed.

Our faith equals submission to Christ as Lord.

Blessings,

Re: The Inseparability of Faith and Obedience A.W.Tozer - posted by Sree (), on: 2017/5/31 9:02

Quote:

Truth is a strict master and demands obedience before it will unveil its riches to the seeking soul.

Amen. Very true. If I see a man who has not grown in obedience to scripture, who has not humbled himself to obey even to the point of death, then I have also seen no revelation or freshness in their scriptural understanding. Truth is no longer revealed to them.

Re: - posted by BranchinVINE (), on: 2017/6/1 1:39

"Our faith equals submission to Christ as Lord.â€

Amen, William.

*** At the name of Jesus *** EVERY KNEE WILL BOW (Phil. 2:10).

â€œThen Moses said to God, â€˜â€˜ Now they may say to me, â€œWhat is His name?â€ What shall I say to them?
â€™™ God said to Moses, â€˜I AM WHO I AMâ€™." (Ex. 3:13-14 NASB).

"In His days Judah will be saved,
And Israel will dwell securely;
And this is His name by which He will be called,
*** 'The LORD our righteousness' ***â€ (Jer. 23:6 NASB).

"For all of us have become like one who is unclean,
And all our righteous deeds are like a filthy garment;
And all of us wither like a leaf,
And our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
*** There is no one who calls on Your name,
Who arouses himself to take hold of You ***;
For You have hidden Your face from us
And have delivered us into the power of our iniquitiesâ€ (Isa. 64:6-7 NASB).

â€œWho is among you that fears the LORD,
That obeys the voice of His servant,
That walks in darkness and has no light?
*** Let him trust in the name of the LORD and rely on his God***â€ (Isa. 50:10).

"â€™™Now therefore, what do I have here,â€™™ declares the LORD, â€˜seeing that My people have been taken away wit
hout cause?â€™™ Again the LORD declares, â€˜Those who rule over them howl, and My name is continually blaspheme
d all day long.â€™™â€ (Isa. 52:5 NASB).
â€œâ€˜Therefore doth My people know My name,
Therefore, in that day,
Surely I am He who is speaking, *** behold Me ***!'" (Isa. 52:6 YLT).

"For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life, and I Mys
elf will raise him up on the last day" (John 6:40).

â€œAnd we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one
degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit. (2 Cor. 3:18 ESV).

â€œJesus answered and said to them, â€˜This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sentâ€™™" (Joh
n 6:29).

â€œ â€˜I am in My Father, *** and you in Me, and I in you ***â€ (John 14:20).

And those who love His name will dwell in it (Ps. 69:36).

Holy and awesome is His name (Ps. 111:9)!

Re: - posted by EAGLEFLYING (), on: 2017/6/2 17:11

Amen to all.. Thank u for commenting on the post.

I agree.. we all as disciples need to be disciplined in the word and obedient to the WORD.

James states it better than any of us can.

James 2:14 KJV) "But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

Blessings to all and May we all have Obedient hearts..

the rest will follow.

In Him

Sister Frannie