

## EPHESIANS - Our Heavenly Account Statement

### “OBEDIENCE”

Ephesians 6:1-4

Lesson #27

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#### REVIEW:

#### A. Instruction to Understand ..... Ephesians 6:1-3

- 1) Wives are to submit, but children are to obey
  - a) Submission necessitates **KNOWLEDGE**
  - b) Children do not **KNOW ENOUGH**
- 2) Obedience - (ὕπακνω) *hypakouō*; Obedience that comes from **HEARING**
- 3) What word choice was there for “obey?”
  - a) *peithō* (πείθω) = To persuade, to win over, or in passive and middle voices, to be persuaded to listen to or obey.
  - b) *peitharcheō* (πειθαρχέω) = To obey (πείθω) and rule (αρχή) = to obey one in authority
- 4) Other uses of OBEY (ὕπακνω) *hypakouō*;

#### B. Exemplify to Testify ..... Ephesians 6:1-4

- 1) Honor: Children may not understand...
  - a) If you **DISGRACE** the decisions, you dishonor the decision maker.
  - b) But if you honor them, you walk in **BLESSING** from the decision maker.

- 2) “do not provoke your children to wrath” (Vs. 4)
    - a) We are to paddle / spank
      - (1) Proverbs 3:24, 19:18, 22:15
      - (2) Proverbs 23:13, 29:15-17
    - b) But a paddle without **INSTRUCTION** becomes **PROVOCATION**
  - 3) Through our **EXAMPLE** of obedience to God’s Word, we testify of the **NECESSITY** of obedience.
  - 4) Through our **RESPONSE** in correcting disobedience, we testify of God’s character in **FORGIVING SIN**.
  - 5) Through our **QUICKNESS TO REPENT** of our sin, we testify of God’s character to **LOVE A SINNER**.
- #### C. Magnify to Fortify ..... Ephesians 6:1-4
- 1) When we magnify the sin in others, we **FORTIFY** in them:
    - a) a **WRONG** image of themselves and God.
    - b) a **STRONG** image of their faults.
  - 2) We also demonstrate our own willingness to live **SUBMITTED**

APPLICATION: Evil spirits, sin, our flesh, etc. does not obey you because of **YOUR POSITION**

They obey because of **YOUR VOICE** because of their **SUBORDINATE POSITION**

If you **SAY NOTHING** they have **NOTHING** to obey.