

One Church Sermon Series

Week 5

Philippians 2:12-18

One Church | One Offering: The Joy of Walking in Obedience

We experience Joy when we obey God because:

Obedience is Communal

- This is a command to apply God's word to the life of our community at the Church
- The You in vv 12-13 are Plural: "Y'all work out your salvation in fear and trembling"
- Communal Obedience is HARD WORK but it leads to Joy because it creates a community of Love, Truth, and Grace.

Obedience is Responsive

- We don't obey out of Duty, but out of a response to who God is and what he has done for us in Christ.
- The solution to the places in your life where you're struggling to Obey is not to try harder. The solution is to fix your eyes on Jesus and soak in his love for you.
- The More we Attend to God's Love and Mercy, the more we will JOYFULLY obey, as opposed to obeying with "grumbling and disputing."

Obedience is Declarative

- A community that Obey God communicates something to the world around us
- Failure to Obey God erodes the power of our Witness
- “Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and give Glory to our Father who is in Heaven.” -Matthew 5
- Even our failure to obey is an occasion for Joy because we are invited to repent and receive the mercy and grace of God