

OBEDIENCE, THE MOST IMPORTANT LESSON

SECTION 4
CH. 10-12

INTRODUCTION:

“Let fathers, mothers, and the educators in our schools remember that it is a higher branch of education to **teach children obedience**. Altogether too little importance is attached to this line of education.” {CG 79}

Furthermore, “Let all, fathers and mothers, teachers, elder brothers and sisters, **become an educating force**....which will help the younger children to grow up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.”

In some form or fashion, we can fit into one of the classes of people mentioned above. Therefore, each of us have the opportunity to become an educating force. By the grace of God, we all can use every jot of our entrusted power into God’s service, teaching all who come within the sphere of our influence, “that the way to be treated as righteous for Christ’s sake is to obey the law.” {CG 81}



Read pages 79-81



1. What, when taught, is a higher branch of education? (p. 79) _____
2. Fill in the blank. "Children will be happier, far happier, under proper _____ than if left to do as their untrained impulses suggest." (p. 79)
3. How should obedience be executed? (p. 79)
 - a.
 - b.
4. Which is the crime, the greatness of the disobedience or the disobedience itself? (p. 80)

5. What is the result of obeying God's law? (p. 79) _____
6. What is the law of Heaven? (p. 79) _____

*Remember: "We must make it our lifework to understand the will of God. Only as we do this can we train our children aright." (p. 65)

7. Explain what happened when the divine Law was disobeyed. (p. 79)

8. Why do we have reason to be thankful? (p. 80)

9. Let's take a moment to thank God!

Dear Heavenly Father,

In Jesus' name,
Amen



Ch.10: The Key to Happiness and Success

10. Why does God extend His mercy? (p. 80)

11. Fill in the blank: "True happiness in this life and in the future life depends upon obedience to a _____." (p. 80)

12. Where is "Thus saith the Lord" found in the Bible?



13. What should be impressed upon the children in their early years? (p. 80)

14. What did Christ give when He came to this world? (p. 81)

15. What is "the truth for this time"? (p. 81)

16. What is the greatest and most important work that fathers and mothers can do? (p. 81)

17. What does God long to pour upon men and women? (p. 81)

18. What does God long to see them do? (p. 81)

19. How do we become familiar with the terms of the blessing that is to be given to all who hearken diligently to God's Law, and teach it diligently to their families? (p. 80)

Read pages 82-84

1. What is a mistake that some parents think? (p. 82)

2. When should obedience be taught? (p. 82) _____

3. Fill in the blank: "Before he is old enough to reason, he may be taught to _____." (p. 82)

4. What can the mother do in order to maintain her authority? (p. 83)

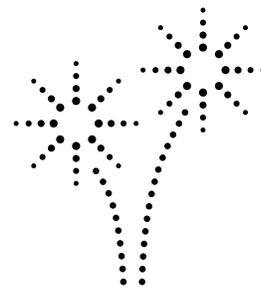
5. What should never be allowed? (p. 83) _____

6. Fill in the blank: "The youth and children who have _____ parents have been greatly privileged, for such have an opportunity to know and love God." (p. 83)

7. What do the children learn when they respect and render obedience to their parents? (p. 83)

8. What are some of the qualities of children of light? (p. 83)

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.



9. How may God be honored? (p. 83)

10. What should parents and teachers impress upon the minds of the children? (p. 84)

11. Fill in the blank: "If parents or children are ever welcomed into the mansions above, it will be because they have in this world learned to obey the commands of God." (p. 84)

Ch.12: Obedience Must Become a Habit

Read pages 85-88

1. To a great degree, how can the conflict between will and authority be prevented? (p. 85)

2. Fill in the blank: "The first care of the parents should be to establish good _____ in the family." (p. 85)

3. How does the training received in childhood influence the religious experience? (p. 85)

4. What can be the result of laying the wrong foundation of character in the lives of the children? (p. 86)

5. Fill in the blank: "The requirements of the parents should always be _____..." (p. 86)

6. In your own words, explain how can kindness can be expressed by "wise direction". (p. 86)

7. Who is called to become an educating force? (p. 86)

8. Will children love parents and guardians less for restraining them from doing evil? (p. 86) _____

9. When should reasons for obedience be given? (p. 86)

Ch.12: Obedience Must Become a Habit

10. Fill in the blank: "Sin lies at the door of the _____ who allow their children to disobey." (p. 86)

11. What is the first lesson of Christianity? (p. 87)

12. What does the wise man say is bound up in the heart of a child? (p. 87)

13. How can parents arise and command their household after them? (p. 87)

14. Fill in the blank: "They must learn to repress wrong with a firm hand, yet without _____ or _____." (p. 87)



15. Why do you think the children should not be left to guess at what is right? (p. 87)

16. What can one disobedient child do? (p. 87)

17. How can parents wink at sin? (p. 88)

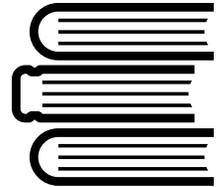
18. How can a child of God, "know what they should do, and what they should abstain from doing"? (p. 87)

19. What is an evasion? Give an example. (p. 85)

20. Fill in the blank: "Lessons on obedience, on respect for authority, need to be often _____." (p. 88)

21. Fill in the blank: "Lessons on obedience, on respect for authority, need to be _____ repeated." (p. 88)

22. What are "the books of heaven"? (p. 88)



23. Fill in the blank: "This kind of work which the Lord requires cannot be done without much _____ contemplation on their part, and much study of the Word of God, in order that they may instruct according to His directions." (p. 88)

Hidden Treasure:

Write down all the Bible references that you found in the reading.
We found at least 4 suggested verses. How about you?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.

Teach



"teach...children
pleasantly, with-
out scolding or
faultfinding."
p. 86