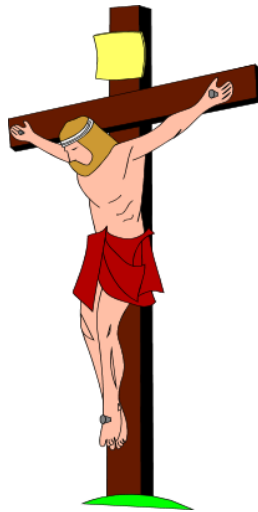


The Lord's Supper

JESUS OBEYED
GOD THE FATHER



OUR DAILY BREAD

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SOMETHING YOU MUST KNOW:

God is perfect. He is Holy. We are all sinners. ***For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.***

(Romans 3:23a KJB)

None of us could ever make ourselves perfect or holy to be accepted by God. But God loves us all so much, that He gave His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to go to the cross and pay the penalty for our sins IN FULL, ONCE and FOR ALL. Jesus died and rose again. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, God can now make us holy and acceptable to Himself. ***For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit.*** (1 Peter 3:18 KJB)

Jesus Christ is our ONLY WAY to God and heaven.

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

(John 14:6 KJB)

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved. (Acts 16:31 KJB)

Without Jesus Christ, you can NEVER be accepted by God or go to heaven. When you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God makes you His child. When you leave this world, you will spend all of eternity with Him! ***But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.*** (John 1:12 KJB) While you are still here on earth, learn His beautiful Word. Believe it and obey it, so you can enjoy all God has done for you.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom.

(Colossians 3:16a KJB)

Did you know that someday, Jesus is going to

RETURN

to this earth? When will that be? Well, it will be when His Father tells Him that it is time to return!

When Jesus came to this earth the first time, Jesus came in obedience to His God, His Father. Jesus



Himself said so:

"Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God."

Hebrews 10:7KJB

That first time He came 2000 years ago, Jesus came to suffer & die on the cross IN OBEDIENCE to His Father. He died on the cross & went back up to heaven so that all of us could be forgiven of our sins & become God's child. Jesus willingly did all this IN OBEDIENCE to His Father for us. Jesus is our ONLY WAY to God & heaven. He said so Himself:

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

John 14:6 KJB

IN OBEDIENCE to his Father, Jesus did all the work on the cross to pay for our sins. He suffered the worst suffering ever IN OBEDIENCE to His Father. And He did it FOR YOU & FOR ME - FOR ALL MANKIND! I'm am so thankful that Jesus OBEYED HIS FATHER & went to that cross & rose again from the dead. Because Jesus did all that, all

anyone has to do to be SAVED from the Lake of Fire & be SURE of their place in heaven is this:

“...Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved,” Acts 16:31 KJB

Because Jesus did all that, all anyone has to do to become God’s child forever is this:

“But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.” John 1:12 KJB

We ought to thank God EVERYDAY that Jesus OBEYED God, His Father! Psalms 107:1-2 KJB

And guess what! Right now, Jesus is up in heaven sitting down on His throne at the right hand of God the Father OBEYING HIS FATHER! Jesus is waiting for His Father to tell Him JUST THE RIGHT TIME to come back as His Father has set in His plan for this earth. Jesus is up in heaven OBEYING HIS FATHER. He is WAITING for the Father to tell Him when to RETURN to this earth.

“The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.” Psalms 110:1 KJB

If we are God’s child, we should PRAISE HIM & THANK HIM every day for Jesus’ obedience. We should praise Him with our MIND, LIPS & with our ACTIONS! How do we do that? Read these next few scriptures & see if you can figure it out!



* "Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken (to listen & pay attention) than the fat of rams."
1Samuel 15:22b KJB

* "By whom (by Jesus Christ, the Son of God) we have receive grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among the nations, for his name."
Romans 1:5 KJB

* "As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:
But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation (how you act everyday);
Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy."
1Peter 1:14-16 KJB

Did you FIGURE IT OUT? God wants His children to



- * OBEY HIM!
- * LIVE FOR HIM!
- * FOLLOW HIM!

WHY?

Because as our Father, God knows what is **ABSOLUTELY BEST** for us to do for ourselves **AND** to help others. Because Jesus **OBEYED** His

Father, He sure helped LOTS of people while He lived down here on earth! The BIGGEST HELP He gave ALL PEOPLE, as we have learned, is to make our way to GOD & HEAVEN! Now, if we are His children, we are to ACT like His children. You see, people cannot see God with their eyes. But they CAN see God's children with their eyes! God's children are to REPRESENT Jesus to others!

"Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us; we pray *you* in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

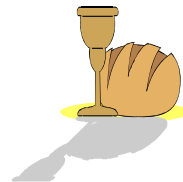
When Jesus was on earth, in OBEDIENCE to His Father, He showed other people what God is like. In OBEDIENCE to His Father, He told others about God & Himself - that He was the ONLY SAVIOR, the ONLY WAY TO GOD!

Jesus is no longer on earth, but WE ARE HERE to FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE & tell others about Jesus! God's children are to give others an EXAMPLE of what God is like! And WHAT does God say He is like?

"Be ye holy; for I am holy."

1Peter 1:16 KJB

And so, for our Lord's Supper lesson, we are going to look at some scriptures that tell us some things about how Jesus OBEYED God while He



lived down here on earth in His Human Body.
Concentrate as you read them. Ask God to help you
UNDERSTAND what you read. James 1:2-8 KJB

* "Though he (Jesus) were a Son, yet learned he
obedience by the things which he suffered;
And being made perfect, he became the
author of eternal salvation unto all them that
obey him;" Hebrews 5:8-9 KJB

Imagine that! Even though Jesus IS GOD & knows EVERY-
THING, in His PERFECT HUMAN BODY Jesus LEARNED
something. What did He learn? He "learned OBEDIENCE!
How? By the things He suffered! Now we certainly do
NOT know all that that scripture means. But it is WRITTEN
so WE MUST BELIEVE IT!

Perhaps some of what Jesus learned by His obedience was
that many times God will tell us to do something that will
bring us some kind of suffering. But God ALWAYS works
His GOOD out of that suffering - whether for US or for OTH-
ERS! Jesus' OBEDIENCE which led to His suffering -
especially His suffering & death on the cross brought us ALL
GOD'S BEST - our WAY TO HEAVEN & our WAY to RE-
CEIVE ALL GOD'S BLESSINGS! Read Romans 8:31-33

* For as by one man's disobedience (that's Adam's
disobedience in the Garden of Eden) many were made
sinners, so by the obedience of one (that's Jesus'
obedience to go to the cross in our place) shall many be
made righteous." Romans 5:19 KJB

Imagine that! Because Jesus obeyed His Father & died on the
cross to pay for OUR SINS, ANYONE AT ALL who simply
BELIEVES in Jesus is made RIGHT WITH GOD & AC-
CEPTABLE FOR HEAVEN - INSTANTLY & FOREVER!

* "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus: (We are to THINK LIKE JESUS DID!)

Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: (Jesus IS God! He is EQUAL TO GOD! And yet, look what Jesus did for YOU & for ME!)

But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men;

And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.



Philippians 2:5-9 KJB

Even before Jesus went to the cross, He suffered great agony. Luke 22:39-44 KJB tells us a little about that suffering. Yet in that suffering, He prayed to His Father. We are not told everything that Jesus prayed, but in one of the parts of His prayer that we are told, Jesus tells us what OBEDIENCE means:

"...Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done."

Luke 22:42 KJB

Do you pray like that too? If you are a child of God, we are to FOLLOW GOD. And God tells us to "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." And what was in Jesus' mind?

TO OBEY HIS FATHER NO MATTER WHAT!

Think about Jesus' OBEDIENCE during the Lord's Supper!

Something to Think About

Just for a moment, think about a time when you were hurt in some way. Perhaps you fell &

SCRAPED YOUR KNEE!



Or maybe you suffered from some bigger injury. Whatever the reason for pain, suffering is **NOT PLEASANT**. Some-

times it even seems like we **CAN'T TAKE EVEN ONE MORE SECOND OF IT!**

Jesus suffered the **WORST PAIN OF ALL** while He was on that cross. It was a pain that we cannot even imagine! In fact, Jesus did **NOT** cry out from any of the physical abuse He received. It was **ONLY** when God, His Father put all our sins upon Him & turned away from His Son, that Jesus cried out. Only in that darkness did Jesus cry out because of that pain: "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?"

Mark 15:35c KJB

Yet Jesus **OBEYED HIS FATHER & STAYED** on the cross until the punishment for our sins was done.

How did Jesus willingly endure all that pain?

"...who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross..."

Hebrews 12:2b KJB

What was that joy? Read Philippians 2:9-11KJB & Luke 15:7 KJB. When obedience to God brings you some suffering, remember God's promise to bring **GOOD** out of it & that He will give you all you need to handle

Grace Christian Fellowship

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10:00 A.M.

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From I-95

- RI Exit #22; *Left* at split to **Rt. 6 W.**
- Take Killingly St (Rt. 128) Exit; *Right* off Exit.
- Take Killingly to end; *Right* on Manton Ave; cross bridge.
- Turn *Left* at light (CVS on corner), and then bear *Left* at the split. You are now on Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1 mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Left*.

From Rt. 146

- Mineral Spring Ave Exit in Providence.
- From **146 N** turn *Left* off Exit; from **146 S** turn *Right*.
- Take Mineral Spring to end and stay *Left* around the rotary (pass North Providence Town Hall).
- Take next *Right* onto Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1½ mi.
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