

God's System and the Saints



1 Samuel 8:1-8

- The Spiritual Principle of Obedience is - “God’s plan to reward our lives.”
 - Objective: to teach us how to live in the blessed state.
 - Purpose: a righteousness building principle.
 - Goal: to teach us how to put our faith into action.
- Lesson #1 – Understanding Obedience
 - A. Obedience: to hear under.
 - B. Obedience is an inescapable principle.
 - C. The fruit of obedience – (discipline, character, trust, and faith).
 - Lesson #2 – The Sacrifice of Disobedience to God
 - A. What is disobedience – refusing to hear under; hearing incorrectly; rejecting the will of God; hearing amiss.
 - B. What is the sacrifice of disobedience to God? Sacrifice – to suffer loss, to put to death, to offer up that which is precious.
 - C. How can I avoid ungodly sacrifice?

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- God has a system that a group of saints do not like.
 - Every government operates by systems, principles, and laws.
 - Our desires will change our attitude.
 - Remember that if you walk in the system of God, you will always suffer persecution (2 Tim. 3:12).
 - The children of Israel had not enjoyed walking with God (v. 8).
 - System – an orderly combination of parts arranged into a whole.
 - Systematize – reduced to fit into the system.
 - The purpose of a system is to make room for and to allow growth and development.
1. The tighter the system the greater the resistance, and the greater the rejection.

2. The tighter the system the greater the reward.

- **What a saint is not – a saint does not mean someone who is living a perfect life.**
- **What is a saint? A saint is a born-again believer (2 Thes. 1:10).**

3. We cannot change God's system.

- **The danger of this world's system is that it is for the world's benefit.**