CHILDREN BROCHURE

MORAVIAN CHURCH - BARBADOS CONFERENCE Provincial Theme: Advance the Kingdom: S.H.I.F.T.

S. - Seek & Submit

H. - Hear & Heed

I. - Imagine & Insight

F. - Focus & Function

T. - Totally Transformed

Age: 13 yrs. & Over

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August 2 - Be Obedient

Scripture:

Song:

O-B-E-D-I-E-N-C-E

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= 5Bvb5L14Zo

Obedience is the very best way to show that you believe,
Doing exactly
what the Lord commands
Doing it happily,
Action is the key,
do it immediately
Joy you will receive,
obedience is the very best way
to show that you believe

Chorus
And you spell it
O-B-E-D-I-E-N-C-E
Yes sir!
Obedience is the very best way
To show that you believe.

We want to live pure,
We want to live clean,
We want to do our best.
Sweetly submitting to authority
Leaving to God the rest.
Walking in the light
Keeping our attitude right
On the narrow way
For if we believe the word we
receive, we always will obey

Memory Verse:

Exodus 20:12

¹² "Honor your father and mother. Then you will live a long time in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

Scripture: (Read with me)

Obedience is commanded by God.

Deuteronomy 6:4 - 9

Israel, listen to me. The Lord is our God. The Lord is the one and only God. 5 Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Love him with all your strength. 6 The commandments I give you today must be in your hearts. 7 Make sure your children learn them. Talk about them when you are at home. Talk about them when you walk along the road. Speak about them when you go to bed. And speak about them when you get up. 8 Write them down and tie them on your hands as a reminder. Also tie them on your foreheads. 9 Write them on the doorframes of your houses. Also write them on your gates.

Message:

Let's talk about it.

In the lesson on May 17, Jesus saw some men fishing. He called out to them and told them to come and follow Him. They left their fishing and came to Jesus. Jesus promised them a better life where they will be fishing for men. In our lesson on May 24 we looked at Jonah and how he was disobedient to God. But he suffered the consequences of his disobedience. You remember the storm and how he was thrown overboard? Remember that he told God that he was sorry and then went on to do as he was asked? God knows how to get people to obey. God had promised to change the lives of the people of Ninevah. Are you a Jonah? Do you have to be called on many times? Do you have to suffer the consequences of disobedience before doing what you are called to do? Or are you a disciple? Do you obey immediately?

When we say obey, what do we mean? Obedience is doing what you are called to do the first time, completely, joyfully and without complaint. Obedience is also a sign of our love for God.

Deuteronomy 6: 4-9 says that obedience to God involves loving God. The passage further goes on to give instructions on how we can make sure that the love of God is foremost in our thoughts. In John 14: 21, Jesus says "Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me."

Obedience may also be a matter of following instructions. How often have you been told to do one thing and you do another? Did you write a statement to show how you did the mathematics problem? Or, did you just write the answer? What did your teacher say? What were the consequences for disobedience?

Yes! Obedience has rewards. Read the memory verse again. This commandment is called the commandment with a promise. You are promised a long life. When Jesus called His disciples, He promised them that He will make them fishers of men. You get good marks when you follow the teacher's instruction. You get promotions in your Cadet Corp or your Scout or Guide Troup when you are obedient. You may not see it right away, but your reward is waiting. Remember, the next time you go to the park, obey the sign which says "Children under 12 only." In this COVID season, please obey the protocols, wear your face mask, keep your distance from other people. Your reward? You will not get sick. You will live long. Continue to be obedient.

Let us pray.

Dear God, when I feel like disobeying, please help me to think of the promise You gave us in the Bible – when I obey my parents, things will go well for me. Give me the spirit of discernment so that I will recognize that You are speaking to me. Help me to recognize that if I love You, I will listen and be obedient to You, my parents, my teachers or anyone set in authority over me. Amen.



Activity:

Obey your road signs.

As we travel on the streets, there are many road signs. Get to know your road signs.

State what each of the following signs tell you and where you will find them.



Now draw the symbols for these other signs:

No Entry Give Way

One Way Traffic No Pedestrians No Left Turn

Traffic Lights Ahead