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Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,

Ephesians 5:25-26

Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

Ephesians 5:22-24

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***“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.*”**

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

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“When your son asks you in time to come, ‘What is the meaning of the testimonies and the statutes and the rules that the LORD our God has commanded you?’ then you shall say to your son, ‘We were Pharaoh’s slaves in Egypt. And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand. And the LORD showed signs and wonders, great and grievous, against Egypt and against Pharaoh and all his household, before our eyes. And he brought us out from there, that he might bring us in and give us the land that he swore to give to our fathers.”

Deuteronomy 6:20-23



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A NEW CREATION

Every Christian is a new creation.



MONDAY

THE STORY: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:11-15

False teachers moved into the Corinthian church in Paul's absence and undermined Paul's ministry and the gospel. Paul's second letter to the Corinthians is designed to refute false teaching and affirm gospel truth. Here Paul is absolutely caught up in love for Christ and shows us where right motivation for all we do as Christians must come from.

Christ's love compels us and affects the way we live. Paul was telling the Corinthians what motivated him as well as declaring a standard for all Christians. The cross is the greatest declaration of love there could ever be. When our hearts open to the wonder of the cross, we are given the power to live for Christ. Jesus died on the cross so that we could die to sin and live for Him. Our whole lives are changed by the gospel. When we live by the love of God in Jesus, we are compelled to live for Christ.

TALK ABOUT IT:

What motivated Paul? What lies behind all he does? (Paul is motivated by God's love demonstrated in the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross.)

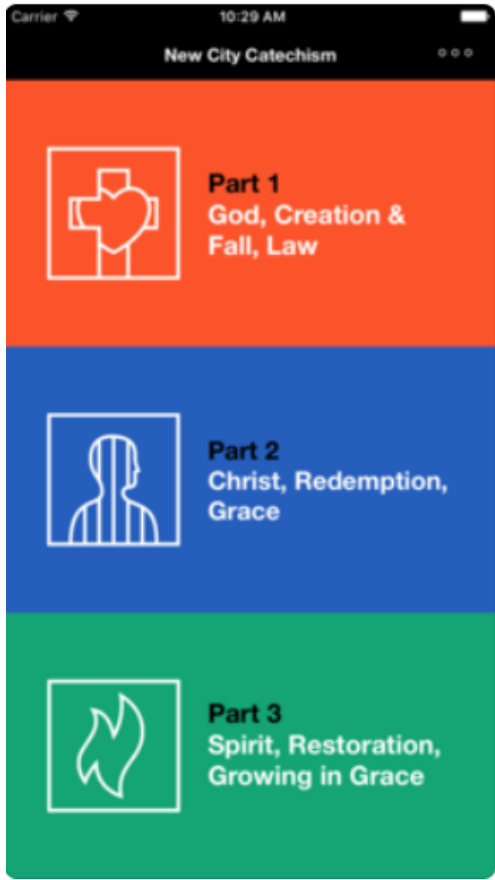
How does Christ's death help us to obey? (It is hard to obey an evil king who demands hard labor in return for a place in the kingdom. But it is easier to obey a

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THE 4Gs

GLORIOUS



GOOD



GREAT



GRACIOUS

God is
GLORIOUS,
so we don't
have to fear
(anyone or
anything)

God is
GOOD, so we
don't need to
look for
satisfaction
anywhere
else

God is
GREAT,
so we
don't
have to
be in
control

God is
GRACIOUS,
so we don't
have to
prove
ourselves

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Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and forsake not your mother's teaching, for they are a graceful garland for your head and pendants for your neck. My son, if sinners entice you, do not consent. If they say, "Come with us, let us lie in wait for blood; let us ambush the innocent without reason; like Sheol let us swallow them alive, and whole, like those who go down to the pit; we shall find all precious goods, we shall fill our houses with plunder; throw in your lot among us; we will all have one purse"—

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my son, do not walk in the way with them; hold back your foot from their paths, for their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed blood. For in vain is a net spread in the sight of any bird, but these men lie in wait for their own blood; they set an ambush for their own lives. Such are the ways of everyone who is greedy for unjust gain; it takes away the life of its possessors.

Proverbs 1:8-19

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Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth! I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old, things that we have heard and known, that our fathers have told us. We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done. He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel,

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which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children, that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments; and that they should not be like their fathers, a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation whose heart was not steadfast, whose spirit was not faithful to God.

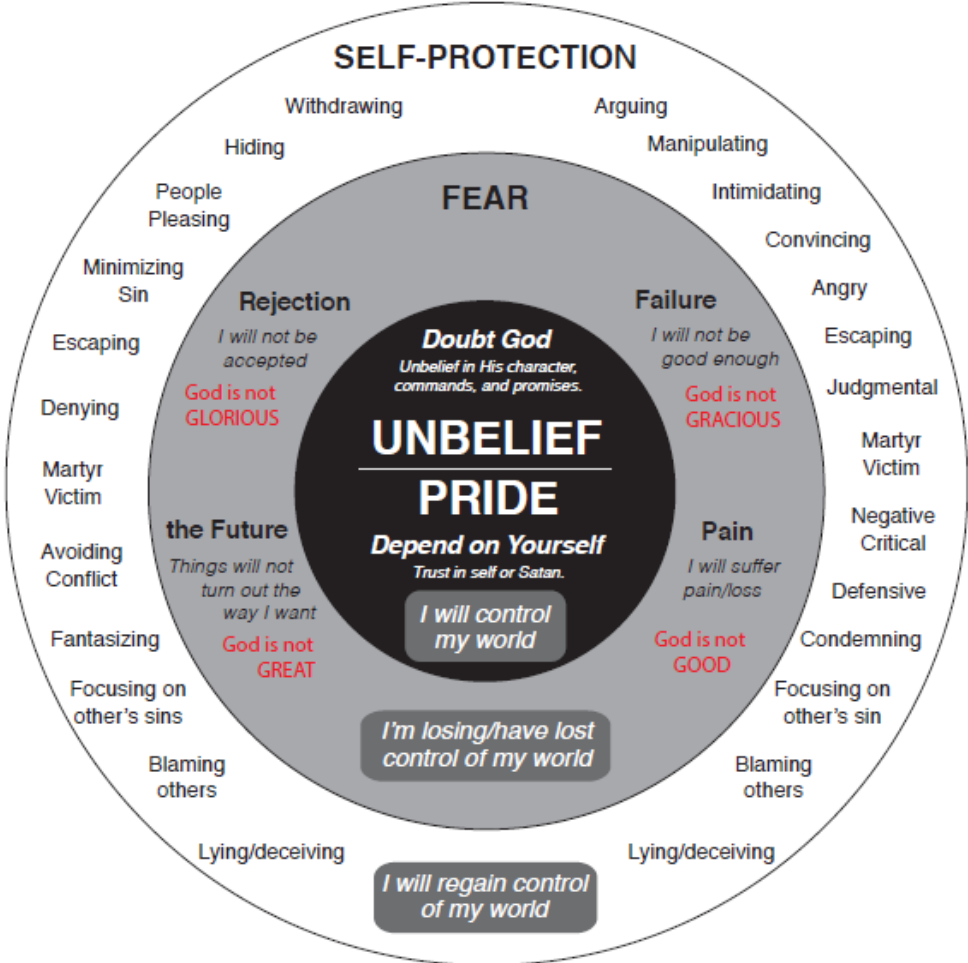
Psalm 78:1-8

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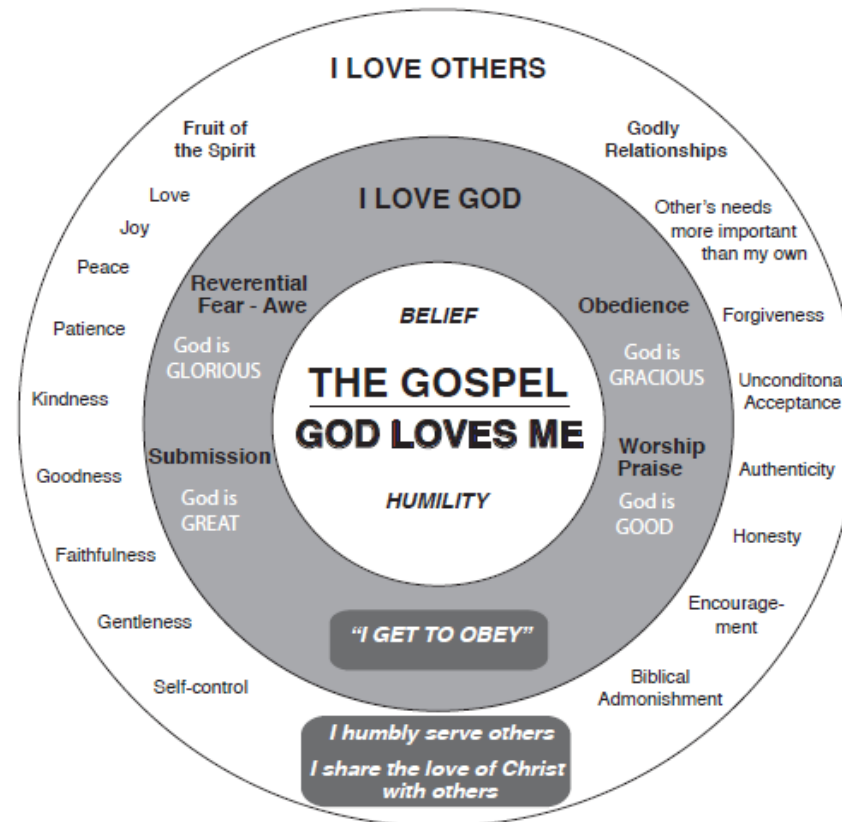
“Not only are you missing out on life, but we are turning away our children by the droves because our lives are not the adventure they see in Scripture and they are not experiencing the Holy Spirit.” What they are experiencing instead is what Chan calls “a Christian version of the American dream.”

Francis Chan

ROOT CAUSE OF ALL SIN



LOVE-MOTIVATED OBEDIENCE



Religion says, "I obey, therefore, I am accepted."
The Gospel says, "I am accepted, therefore, I obey."

The Christian life is a relationship with God that produces greater obedience,
not a life of obedience that produces a greater relationship with God.

The solution to our lack of obedience is not to "try harder"
but to encounter the radical grace of God. (Tim Keller)

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To the woman he said, “I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you.”

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And to Adam he said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life; thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field. By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.”

Genesis 3:16-19

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Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

Ephesians 6:4

“An idol is whatever you look at and say, in your heart of hearts, ‘If I have that, then I’ll feel my life has meaning, then I’ll know I have value, then I’ll feel significant and secure.’”

Counterfeit Gods, Tim Keller






**“As we seek to parent our children,
the heavenly Father is parenting
everyone in the room.”**

Paul Tripp

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GET-A-GRIP

1-2-3-4-5 MEMORY OUTLINE

1.  **Grab hold** of the truth that God has ordained this situation. (Eph. 1:11)
2.  **Thank God** for this difficulty. (1 Thess. 5:82; Eph. 5:20)
3.  **Forgive** the offender, not verbally but in prayer. (Mark 11:25)
4.  ***Ask:** “How can I obey God in this situation?” (John 14:15)
5.  **Ask:** “What is God trying to teach me?”

“No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.

—1 Cor. 10:13

