

*FOUNDATIONS OF*  
**CHARACTER**



obedience

In your own words, write down what it means to be **obedient**...

Read/Study Ephesians 6:1-3

Why did God include this in the Bible? Why is this hard to do?

Read/Study Joshua 24:14-15

What was Joshua's attitude towards obeying God?

Read/Discuss 1 John 5:1-3

Why does obeying God lead to freedom instead of difficulty?

**Application:**

1. Make a list of all the people that you are supposed to "obey." What makes it so difficult to obey these people?
2. What is the **heart** behind the rules that you are to obey?
3. Give many of the reasons that people choose to disobey.

4. Why does it please God when we obey him?
  
5. How does God change a person so that obedience is a “get to” and not a “have to” ?

**Take it Home:**

1. Have an honest discussion with your parents about how you can have a healthy parent/child relationship when it comes to obedience in the coming teenage years.
  
2. Apologize to someone who is an authority over you about your lack of obedience towards them. (*This is really really hard to do, but will mean so much to them and you when it's done!*)
  
3. Read/Study Micah 6:8, How does God expect his people to behave?