

MOTIVATED TO OBEDIENCE

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3

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Introduction:

1. Faith and works go together hand in hand.
2. Motivation towards obedience comes from several areas.

I. DESIRE TO PLEASE GOD

A. ABEL'S SACRIFICE -Heb 11:4

B. NT EXAMPLES

1. Jesus came to please the Father
2. Peter sought to please God -Ac 5:29
3. Paul sought to please God -Ac 9:1-ff

C. WE SHOULD SEEK TO PLEASE GOD TODAY

1. Some seek to please self
2. We desire to hear "Well done thou good and faithful servant."

II. MOVED BY GODLY FEAR

A. NOAH -Heb 11:7

B. WE PREPARE FOR JUDGMENT -Heb 9:27

1. We know the terror of the Lord -2Co 5:9-11
2. Too many do not take it seriously

III. MOVED BY GREAT PROMISES

A. ABRAHAM -Heb. 11:8-10

1. The promise -Gen 12:1-3
2. Walking through the land -Ge 13:14-17

B. GOD'S PROMISE TO US

1. Heaven -Jn 14:1-4; Ph 3:20; 1Pe 1:3-ff
2. We may not know what is on our journey there, but we know that God is with us all the time.

Conclusion:

1. We are motivated to obey God when we consider His great love -Jn 14:15
2. We remember the great sacrifice Jesus made for us and the promise He has in store.
3. With these in mind, let us love Him and keep His commandments!