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CHOSEN BIBLICAL New Testament SCRIPTURE-



This month's coloured attachment scripture is ACTS 5: 29

## "WE MUST OBEY GOD PATHER THAN MEN"

Obedience pleases God; it is a total and heartfelt commitment. It is more important not only to obey God but to also please Him rather than other people. Christians have to put their priorities in the right order when there are circumstances where they cannot obey both God and man. The willingness to obey is to be put into effect. God rewards those who obey Him.

The Bible teaches that all people should submit only to God by His divinely instituted secular authorities, to the county's rulers, to church leaders, to heads of households, but not those in authoritative positions who expect others to be in disobedience to God and His Word. When this predicament occurs, Christians should for their own sakes obey God, for the reward which is received in heaven for being faithful to The Word of God is much, much greater than insults, exclusion of others or abuse.

Obedience to God's Word is the willingness to submit to its authority. **Scripture puts emphasis upon the need for believers to be obedient to God, trusting in His faithfulness.** Respect and compliance to a secular authority is limited by faithful obedience to God. Reverence expresses itself in active obedience.

Christ sent His believers to make disciples of the nations, in this instance it is better to obey God if all governmental and social efforts are exhausted. Jesus is The Spirit Baptiser and The Living Word.

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CHRIST AS SEEN IN THE BOOK



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BIBLICAL KNOWLEDGE- Did you know that Jesus knew He was God when He was on earth over 2,000 years ago? When Jesus made important statements such as "Your sins are forgiven", He was indicating to those around Him that He was God, for they knew only God could forgive sins. He also healed on The Sabbath and was crucified for these comments and acts as many officials who were against Him believed He was blaspheming.

There is a colouring page of Christ healing a man on The Sabbath

at <a href="http://www.tne.net.au/~abdaacts/healpool.html">http://www.tne.net.au/~abdaacts/healpool.html</a>

A MARCH EVENT- Perpetua was born approximately in 176 at Carthage, North Africa, growing up as Christ's disciple in a wealthy family. Her brothers and mother were also devoted to Christ but her father wasn't a Christian. Perpetua, bright and attractive, gained a good education and married. However in 202 The Roman Emperor issued an edict against Christians, and Perpetua was placed under house arrest. Her father begged her to recant, but she refused. She was taken to prison where her father visited her, begging her to renounce her Christian belief. Perpetua and other believers were judged in the marketplace where, again, her father carrying her infant son begged her to free herself. Sentenced to torture and death, the believers were dragged back to imprisonment. On March 7, 202 the Christians were marched into an arena where Perpetua was gored and thrown by a savage heifer. Surviving this first encounter, she helped others but a gladiator eventually pierced her with his sword. **Her committed devotion to** Christ inspired the others in North Africa. Through the power of her Christian conviction, her chief jailer, Pudens, committed himself to the Lord Jesus.



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