

COMPASSION

SELECTED SCRIPTURE

PREPARATION

Read some or all of the following text and then come up with a biblical working definition of compassion. You may need to read a bit before and after for context.

Old Testament

-Exodus 24

New Testament

-Romans 6:15:23, Philippians 2:5-11, 1 Peter 1:2,14, 22

Obedience:

Obedience – Obedience is to submit to what the Lord says, doing what he tells you to do. And what He tells you is only revealed in Scripture. (Dale's sermon definition)

LOOKING TO THE WORD

Matthew 26:39 Acts 5:29, John 14:15—what are the basic postures or attitudes that are present with being obedient?

What are the basic postures or attitudes that make being obedient less attractive?

What were the two forms of obedience that were shared in the sermon?

Hint: Double Imputation

HUMILITY

MATTHEW 5:1-6

LOOKING TO THE WORD CONT.

Passive obedience is that which done to you as you willing submit to a higher authority.

Example: Jesus submitting to the cross.

Active obedience is that which you act on or do in light of the authority you are under.

Example: Jesus adhering to the law of God by doing what is right and not doing wrong.

Look at Matthew 8:6-10. What are two foundational elements of biblical obedience that Jesus celebrates, and how does it function in your Christian life as you obey or don't obey God's Word?

Go back and look at Romans 6:16 and John 14:15. Write or discuss how these help clarify, as a Christian, what your ultimate authority is and who your submitting to in obedience?

APPLICATION: GOD'S WILL FOR TODAY

Theo Hobson, a British liberal thinker has defined a moral revolution as follows: "That which was repudiated must be celebrated. That which was celebrated must be repudiated. And those who will not celebrate must themselves be repudiated."

Nowhere left to hide for the Christian

Make a list of those ideas or issues that you see this transformation taking place in culture, then begin to work through each based on what Scripture says about them. Finally, come to a conclusion about what it would mean to obey or not obey in light of God's authority.