

**Training in God's Whole Counsel,
Emphasizing Growing in Christ-Likeness**

CHRISTIAN-LIFE RELATIONSHIP PRINCIPLES

**Becoming Mature in Christ-Likeness
By Learning to Live God's Best
In Biblical Head-Subordinate Relationships
Part Three: Head-Subordinate
Christian Relationships**



**Theme: Learning to walk as Christ walked.
1 John 2:6**

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PRAISE THE LORD

(Tune of Edelweiss)

**Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord.
Joy each day, He is bringing.
Praise the Lord, He is God.
Come Before Him with Singing.**

**We His people should praise His Name.
Always be thanksgiving.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord.
He is Faithful and Giving.**

PRAISE THE LORD

(Tune of Edelweiss)

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord, Alleluia.

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord, Alleluia.

King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Praise His Name forever.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord, Alleluia.



BASIC QUESTIONS

**If someone were to ask you these questions,
how would you answer them in depth?**

- 1. What is God's major purpose for putting us on the earth?**
- 2. How do we walk close to God and come to know Him?**
- 3. How do we become spiritually mature in Christ-likeness?**
- 4. How do we build godly families, living in unity?**
- 5. How do we solve spiritual relationship problems in our families?**
- 6. How do we walk by faith and live by love?**
- 7. How do we have purity and avoid immorality?**
- 8. How do we find God's work that He wants us to do?**
- 9. How do we train others to witness the Gospel?**
- 10. What do we do when things go wrong; how do we make corrections?**
- 11. What happens to us when we become Christians? Can we lose our salvation?**
- 12. What is the meaning of redemption & atonement for iniquity?**
- 13. What the biblical characteristics of God's choice for a husband and wife?**



THE BOTTOM LINE

Apart from us having mature high-skill spiritual ability in Christ-likeness in relationship living so we can know and relate to God toward His fullest throughout eternity, living holy and righteously in close fellowship with Him and each other, there is nothing. We must pay attention and cooperate with God to gain this spiritual ability.

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CHRISTIAN-LIFE RELATIONSHIPS BIBLE TRAINING COURSE CONTENT

Head-Subordinate Christian Relationships

Introduction

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**INTRODUCTION TO:
GODLY LIVING IN
HEAD-SUBORDINATE
RELATIONSHIPS**



THE LORD JESUS LIVED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE FATHER

The Lord Jesus took no initiative, always living under the authority and direction of the Father. We are to do the same, living under their authority in a head-subordinate relationship with them.

John 5:19 - Jesus therefore answered and was saying to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, unless it is something He sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, these things the Son also does in like manner.

John 5:30 - "I can do nothing on My own initiative. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is just, because I do not seek My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

John 12:49 - "For I did not speak on My own initiative, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me commandment, what to say, and what to speak.



OBSERVATION: ALL THINGS COME THROUGH THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

All that God the Father has done in a positive manner for mankind and angels, for heaven and earth, He has done through the person of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 8:6

... There is but one God the Father, from whom are all things, and we exist for Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through Whom are all things, and we through Him.



THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

Colossians 1:13-20

(13) For He delivered us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son,

(14) in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

(15) And He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all creation.

(16) For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities-- all things have been created by Him and for Him.

(17) And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

(18) He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the first-born from the dead; so that He Himself might come to have first place in everything.

(19) For it was the Father's good pleasure for all the fulness to dwell in Him,

(20) and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, I say, whether things on earth or things in heaven.



THE FAITHER AND CHRIST WALKED IN ROLE HEAD-SUBORDINATE RELATIONSHIPS

HEAD

THE FATHER LIVES THE GOD ROLE

FATHER

Source
Of all
Actions
Of the Son

The works show
The Father is in the Son
And the Son in the Father.
Father and Son are in
perfect unity.

Keeps commandments
And does the will of
The Father

Does the Father's work

Son

Subordinate

The Son lives the servant role

Son: Life and action are identical to the Father's

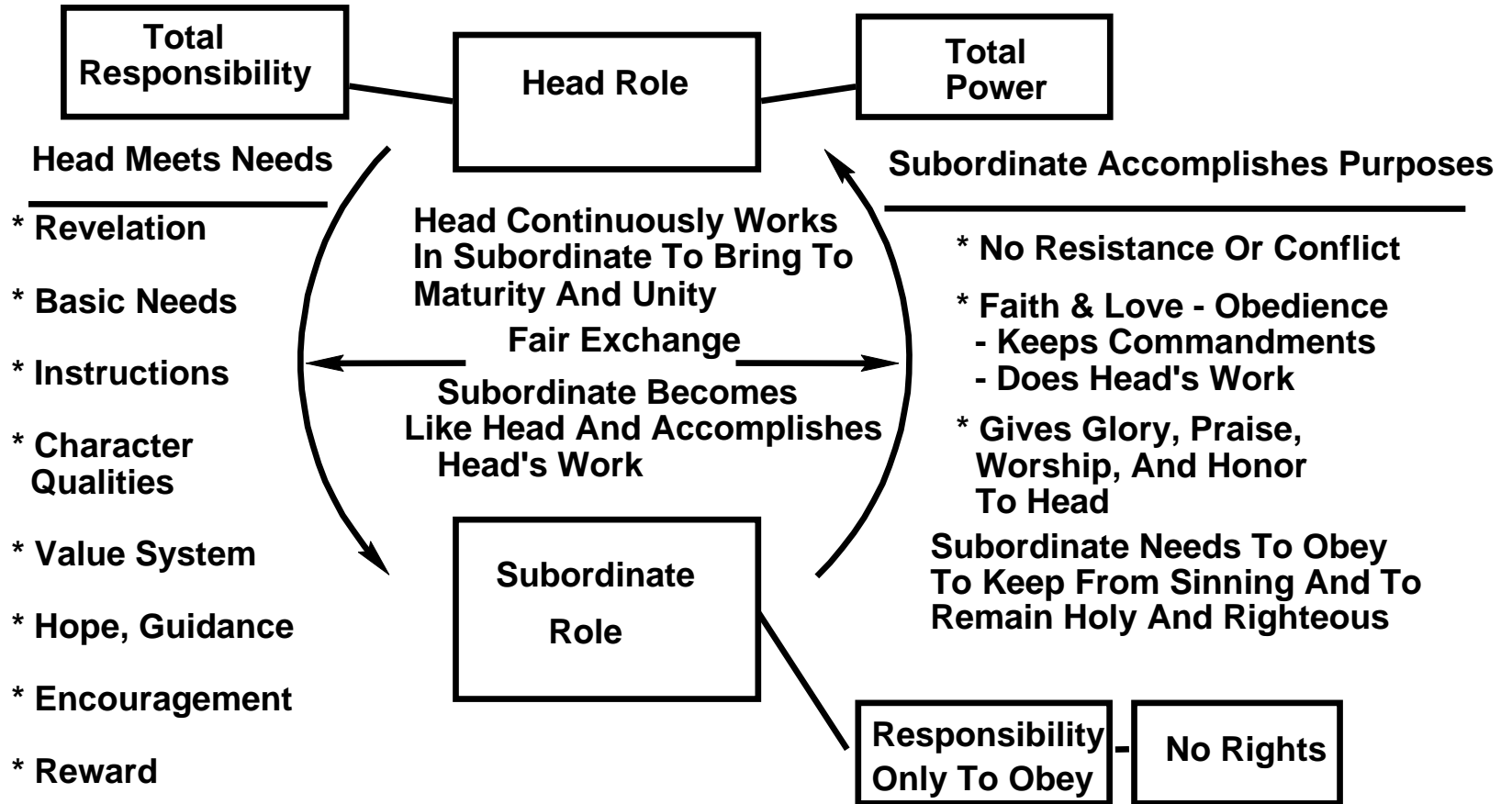
Perfect observer:

Cannot distinguish any difference between
The life and actions of the Father and the Son



PRINCIPLES OF HEAD-SUBORDINATE RELATIONSHIPS

BASIS FOR LIVING IS LOVE AND GOD'S CHARACTER QUALITIES





PRINCIPLES OF HEAD-SUBORDINATE RELATIONSHIPS

BASIS FOR LIVING IS LOVE AND GOD'S CHARACTER QUALITIES

Actions of the Head and Subordinate are the Same; Head Goes Into Subordinate

Total Responsibility

Head Meets Needs;
Providing Directions:
and Leads in Everything;
Acts in Grace, Mercy,
Longsuffering; Love

- * Revelation
- * Basic Needs
- * Instructions
- * Character Qualities
- * Nourishes and Cherishes
- * Value System
- * Hope, Guidance
- * Encouragement
- * Reward
- * Never Stops Working in Subordinate

Head Role
Works Things All Together for Good

Head Continuously Works In Subordinate To Bring To Maturity And Unity

Fair Exchange

Subordinate Becomes Like Head And Accomplishes Head's Work

Subordinate Role
Sacrificial Love Servant

Responsive Obedience;
No Room for Own Ideas;
Knows God's Attributes
Knows God's Greatness

Total Power

Subordinate Accomplishes Purposes Under Testings and Spiritual Warfare

- * No Resistance Or Conflict
- * Faith - Obedience; Promises - Love -Keeps Commandments - Does Head's Work
- * Gives Glory, Praise, Respect Worship, And Honor To Head

Subordinate Needs To Obey To Keep From Sinning And To Remain Holy And Righteous
Does not know all things

Responsibility Only To Obey

No Rights

Attitude: Humble, Thankful,
Lose Life, Deny Self, Grateful

God: Perfect Attributes & Character Qualities



**WE ARE TO WALK IN ROLE
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FATHER**

HEAD

**The Father Lives The Ultimate God and Head Role
Father**

**Father Is Source
Of All Actions
For Believers
Through the Son**

**The Works Show
The Father/Christ Are In
The Believer And The
Believer In Them**

**Keeps Commandments
And Does The Will Of
The Father**

**Does The Father's Work
(This Is Christ's Work
For The Believer)**

**Believer
Subordinate**

The Believer Lives The Servant Role to the Father and Son

(This Role Must Be Learned, Developed, Tested, And Proven)

Believer

Life And Action Are Identical To The Father's

Perfect Observer:

**Cannot Distinguish Any Difference Between
The Life And Actions Of The Father Through
the Son And The Believer**



RESULTS OF PERFECT HEAD-SUBORDINATE RELATIONSHIPS

1. **Head and subordinate are in unity relationship where the subordinate becomes like the head.**
 - **A perfect observer can not determine any difference between their thoughts and actions; they are the same.**
 - **They live in perfect fellowship with joint participation.**
2. **Subordinate is trained, proven, and becomes mature in the head.**
3. **Work of head gets accomplished.**
4. **Subordinate receives the fruit of the head's spirit and work and lives by the head's character qualities.**
5. **Subordinate receives delegated responsibilities and rewards when proven and when tasks are complete – the cross (obedience to death) comes before the crown (reward).**
6. **Obedience from love is the power in these relationships.**



EXAMPLES OF SUBORDINATE BECOMING LIKE HEAD

Subordinate Becomes Like the Head When:

Learning to play the violin

Learning to fly an airplane

Learning a technical trade.

Learning to be a father

Learning to become a teacher

Learning to drive a car

These are modulated by the gifts that God gives a person.



GOD'S HEAD-SUBORDINATE CHAIN OF COMMAND

Father God
is Head

The Lord
Jesus is
Subordinate

The Lord
Jesus is
Head

1 Corinthians 11:3 - But I want you to understand that Christ is the head of every man, and the man is the head of a woman, and God is the head of Christ.

The Church
is
Subordinate

The Husband
is
Subordinate

The Husband
is Head

Ephesians 6:1 - Children, obey your parents in the Lord,

Ephesians 5:23 For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church,

The Wife is
Subordinate

The Wife is
Head

The Children
Are
Subordinate



CASE STUDY - APPLY SCRIPTURE'S PRINCIPLES

If your children are regularly misbehaving, what could be the situation?

Are your children misbehaving you if you do not give them instructions?

John 14:15 "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments.

John 15:10 "If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments, and abide in His love.

1 John 4:19 We love, because He first loved us.

Romans 5:13 but sin is not imputed when there is no law.

Romans 7:7-8 I would not have come to know sin except through the Law“ for apart from the Law sin is dead.

**MAIN ISSUES IN
BIBLICAL HEAD-
SUBORDINATE
RELATIONSHIPS**



THE MAJOR ISSUE IN GAINING MATURITY

**Who works all things together for good in our lives?
- God or ourselves?**

1. If we try to get everything under our control such that we work all things together for good, we sin because we have no inherent righteousness or perfect attributes.

**- We will do this if we are enamored with ourselves and our abilities; we think that we can do it.
(We may have to do this by default!)**

2. We must train to allow God to work all things together for good by our faith because He alone has inherent righteousness and perfect attributes. This is the only way for us to live without sin.

- We must have respect for God as the only one who can do it. If we do, then we will learn to live by His ways.



Necessary Walk to Become Mature in Christ and to Live Holy & Righteously

Servant Role – God is in Charge; All Things and Real Time Direction Come From Him as a Source

We must live trusting God to be God so that He works all things together for our eternal good, such that we become, have, and do what he wants. We do not sin because God is inherently righteous and holy, and He sees the whole picture.

God Role – We Attempt to Take Charge – Be Our Own Boss; Things & Direction Come From Us as a Source

We must not live trusting ourselves, acting like the Most High God, to work all things together for our eternal good, such that we become, have, and do what we want. We do this believing we can or by default, not having learned to trust God – or both. We sin because we are inherently unrighteous and cannot see the whole picture.



BOTH SATAN AND MAN SINNED BECAUSE THEY ACTED LIKE THE MOST HIGH GOD

Both Satan with the evil angels & man sinned & received depraved natures because they wanted & acted to be equal with the Most High God, not understanding the perfection of God & their inability to live righteously & holy without sin. They wanted to become, have, and do what they wanted. They wanted to be in charge of their lives.

MAN - Genesis 3:4-7 - (4)And the serpent said to the woman, "You surely shall not die! (5)GEN 3:5 "For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." (6) When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make one wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate. (7) Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin coverings.

SATAN - Isaiah 14:12-14 – (12) "How you have fallen from heaven, O star of the morning, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the earth, You who have weakened the nations! (13) "But you said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, And I will sit on the mount of assembly In the recesses of the north.(14) 'I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.'

Ezekiel 28:15-18 – (18) "You were blameless in your ways From the day you were created, Until unrighteousness was found in you. (16) "By the abundance of your trade You were internally filled with violence, And you sinned; Therefore I have cast you as profane From the mountain of God. And I have destroyed you, O covering cherub, From the midst of the stones of fire. (17) "Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; You corrupted your wisdom by reason of your splendor. I cast you to the ground; I put you before kings, That they may see you. (18) By the multitude of your iniquities, In the unrighteousness of your trade, You profaned your sanctuaries. Therefore I have brought fire from the midst of you; It has consumed you, And I have turned you to ashes on the earth In the eyes of all who see you.



KINGDOMS IN CONFLICT

Kingdom of God & Light

- Based on Relationships
- Servant Role; a faith system
- Believes God is great
- Lives under God's authority
- Lives by God's righteousness
- Trusts God to work all for good
- Responds to Holy Spirit
- Become, Have, & Do what God wants from love
- Grows toward spiritual maturity
- Involved in God's work

Dominion of Satan & Darkness

- Based on knowledge of good & evil
- God role; a works system
- Believes man is great
- Lives as own authority
- Lives by own value system
- Trust self to work all for good
- Responds to one's own values
- Become, Have, & Do what man wants from fear & desire
- Remains spiritually immature
- Involved in personal endeavors



We Must Allow God to Work All Things Together for Our Ultimate Good

Romans 8:28 - And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God (those who keep His commandments), to those who are called according to His purpose (those who do His work).

John 4:34 - Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me (includes keeping God's commandments), and to accomplish His work.

John 15:10 - "If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments, and abide in His love.

John 17:4 - "I glorified Thee on the earth, having accomplished the work which Thou hast given Me to do.



GOD'S METHOD BY WHICH WE BECOME MATURE IN CHRIST

1. **Exalt God and Know Him** (This includes praising, honoring, worshipping, glorifying, obeying, pleasing, loving, and fellowshiping, etc..) (Psalm 150; Matthew 22:37-38; John 4:23; 15:10; Acts 5:29; 1 Corinthians 10:31; Colossians 1:9-11, 18; Hebrews 11:6.)
2. **Live a Godly Life** (This includes living by faith, love, and hope, in head-subordinate relationships, serving God and each other, fellowshiping with God and with each other, and having love and compassion for others.) (Psalm 150; Matthew 6:33; 22:39; Mark 16:15; John 14:15; 15:10; Romans 8:28; 1 Corinthians 11:3; 13:13; Ephesians 5:18-20; Hebrews 11:6; 1 John 2:6; 3:2-3.)
3. **Accomplish God's Work** (This includes evangelism, discipleship, building godly families, training faithful people, planting churches, and reaching out to the needy.) Matthew 28:16-20; Acts; Romans 10:13-15; 1 Corinthians 3:6, 10-15; 12; 2 Corinthians 5:18-21; 9:10-15; Galatians 6:2; Ephesians 5:21-6:4; 1 Thessalonians 1:3, 8; 2 Timothy 2:1-2; Hebrews 12:1-2; 1 John 3:16-18.)

***We Need To Learn and Apply the Principles
That Accomplish These Requirements***



PLAN OF GOD FOR MAN

Goal Oriented: Train To Do God's Will and Work

We are to live in relationships patterned after Christ's Relationship with the Father

God's Purpose

1. Become mature in Christ to know God intimately and in depth

Our Purpose

1. Glorify God 2. Live godly life
3. Do God's work 4. Learn Doctrine

Result

Praise; Unity; Faith; Love;
Hope; Promises;
Principles;
Commandments

DEVELOPMENT, TESTING, AND PROVING ENVIRONMENT

Life Situations, Ministries, Trials, Testings, Temptations,
Persecutions, Sufferings, Spiritual Warfare



GOD'S BOTTOM LINE FOR US

God is inherently perfect, holy, righteous, and true

Requirement: Know and Praise God and Live Righteous and Holy Lives to God

Requires: High-Skill Mature Spiritual Ability in Christ-Likeness using a divine nature

Requires: Justice for sin satisfied and receiving new divine nature that does not sin

Christ provides both: Believing in Christ as Savior; receive justice and new divine nature

Requires us being trained in-depth to glorify God, live a godly life, and accomplish God's work in head-subordinate relationships

Apart from knowing God there is nothing

GOD'S PLAN AND SPIRITUAL WARFARE

BRING PEOPLE TO SPIRITUAL MATURITY IN TESTING ENVIRONMENT

LIVE RIGHTEOUSLY

- Exalt God
- Live Godly Life
- Do God's Work

ROMANS 8:28 FAITH-PROCESS

Faith: Trust God
Love: Obey God
Purpose: God's Work

PRINCIPLES

- Fellowship
- Redemptive Work
- Witness Gospel
- Sacrificial Service
- Sow and Reap
- Promises
- Commandments
- Love Qualities

ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION

Head-Subordinate Relationships

HEAD-SUBORDINATE RELATIONSHIPS

Concept

HEAD-SUBORDINATE RELATIONSHIPS

Implementation

TESTING AND DEVELOPMENT ENVIRONMENT

- Trials, Testings
- Persecutions
- Temptations

TWO POWER SYSTEMS IN SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Power Systems

- God's Kingdom
- Satan's Dominion

Tests

- Servant Role
- God Role

TWO POWER SYSTEMS IN OPERATION

God's Kingdom
Satan's Dominion
Testings, Strategies

PROGRAM AND CRITERIA FOR ENDING HISTORY

- God's Sovereignty
- Men's and Angels' Wills

REQUIREMENTS

- 6000 Years
- Elect Believe
- Elect Do Works
- Power Over Death

MEANS

Dispensations

- Gentile
- Jewish
- Church

Pattern Sequence



OUR LEVEL OF MATURITY MAY BE FIXED AT DEATH

Strong Possibility - The maturity that we have at death we will most likely have for eternity without the possibility of improvement - even though we will gain increased knowledge. There is no Scripture that teaches either way, so we cannot know for sure. What if it is?

In eternity - The testing environment of the world, flesh, and the devil is not allowed in heaven and *all of Biblical History* leads to this one result of reaching spiritual ability in Christ-Likeness in order to know and relate to God.

There will be no sin or the curse of God in the new Jerusalem (Revelation 21:27; 22:3). Satan and the evil angels will be in the Lake of Fire. (Revelation 20:10).

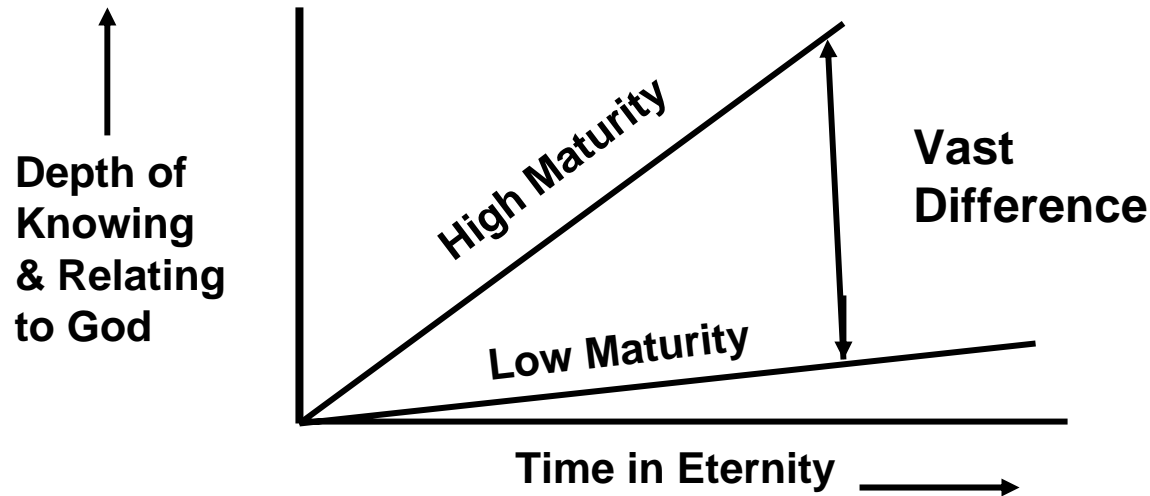
Now is the time for salvation (2 Corinthians 6:12).

We must pursue becoming mature in Christ with excellence because this pursuit is commanded. If we do not, it can be a most terrible mistake, because it can limit our knowing and relating to God throughout all eternity. God may use our spiritual ability in eternity in a different way than we can know now.



THE POSSIBLE PENALTY FOR NOT ADEQUATELY PURSUING SPIRITUAL ABILITY, IF IT IS FIXED AT DEATH

Should We Not Pursue Spiritual Maturity With Excellence? (What Value to You Place on Knowing God?)



Romans 8:18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

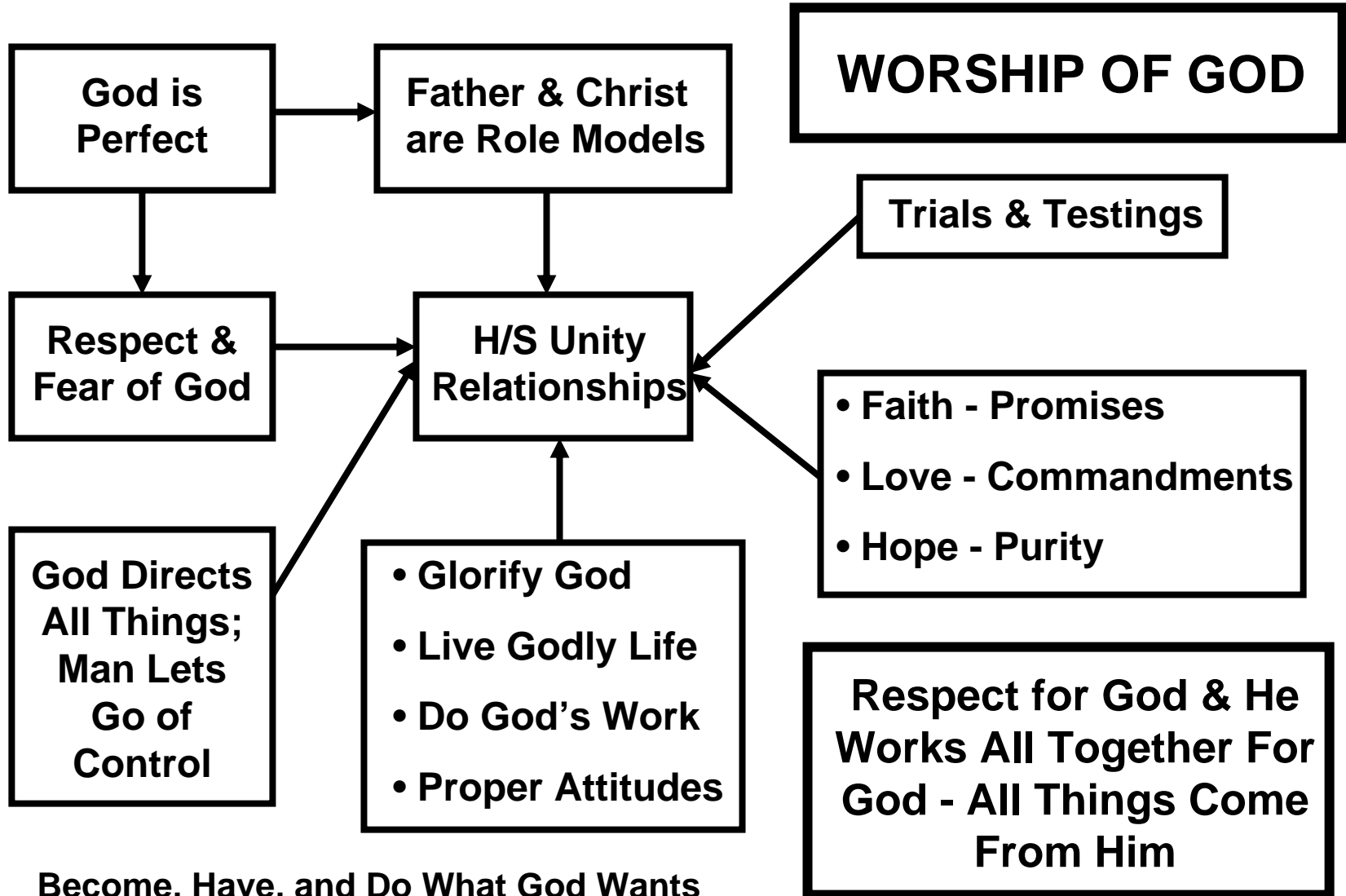
Hebrews 6:1 Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity,

We cannot be sure this understanding is correct, but what if it is? Should we not pursue maturity in spiritual ability because it is commanded – We must hedge about being wrong, if we believe otherwise.

(There is no Scripture that teaches our mature spiritual ability in Christ-likeness can increase in eternity or that we will all have the same maturity.)

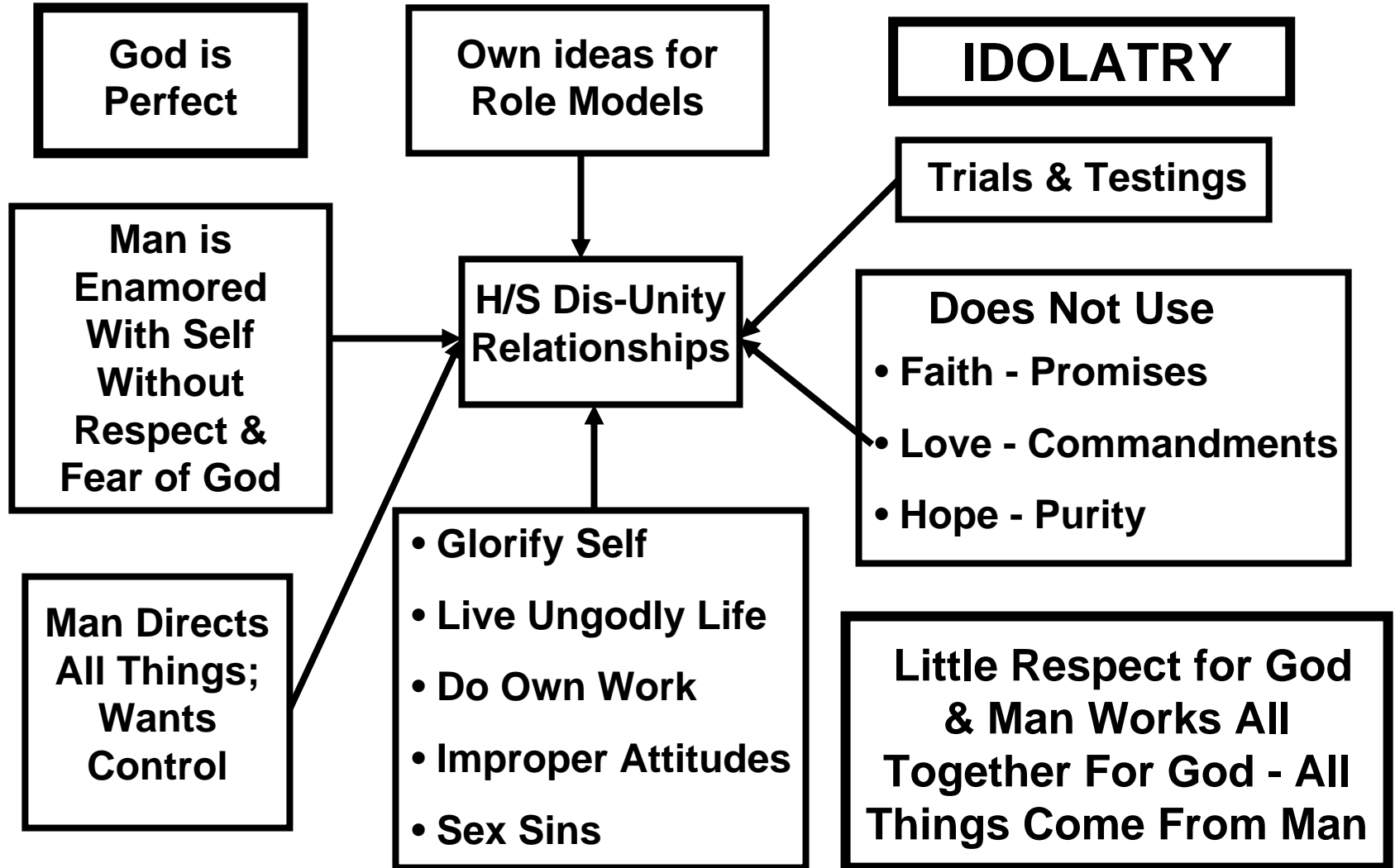


PATHWAY TO BECOMING MATURE IN CHRIST-LIKENESS





PATHWAY TO SIN AND UNHOLINESS WITHOUT MATURITY IN CHRIST



Become, Have, and Do What We Want



Three Groups of Christians

Group One: The Few That Want To Do the Most to Become Mature in Christ and to be Involved in God's Work (Our Visionary Leaders and Mature Teachers Come From This Group.)

Group Two: The Many Who Faithfully Follow Christ and Are Continually Involved in God's Work - This Group is the Foundation of the Church (Our Managers and Workers Come From This Group)

Group Three: People Who Have Settled In and Are Comfortable Where They Are. They Enjoy Their Salvation and Fellowships, But They take a Laid Back Position, Not wanting much involvement - They Are Watchers.

Our Objective is to Work Mostly With Groups One and Two; and To Encourage Group Three; Provide Basic Training and Materials For Those (Such as New Christians) Who Want To Catch Up With Those In Groups One and Two.

- * We Must Take Care of Our Own or We Have Denied the Faith.**
- * We Must Work With Groups One and Two if the Work of the Great Commission is to be Accomplished.**

SUMMARY OF HEAD- SUBORDINATE RELATIONSHIPS



**THE RELATIONSHIP ACTS OF GOD THE FATHER (AS HEAD)
TOWARD THE LORD JESUS CHRIST (AS SUBORDINATE)**

(1 of 4)

- 1. All authority is from God (Romans 13:1).**
- 2. God the Father does not change (Malachi 3:6). He always acts the same way toward everyone.**
- 3. God the Father owns everything on earth (1 Corinthians 10:26). The Son belongs to the Father (1 Corinthians 3:23).**
- 4. All things come from God the Father (through the Lord Jesus Christ) (1 Corinthians 8:6).**
- 5. The Father gives everything, including commandments, to the Son to carry out (John 3:35; 12:49, 50; 14:31).**



- 6. The Father loves the Son and shows Him what the Father is doing (John 3:35; John 5:19, 20; 15:9 [and also Amos 3:7]). The Father took the lead in all actions in the relationship.**

- 7. The Father taught the Son (John 8:28).**

- 8. The Father sends the Son and does not leave Him alone, but stays with Him through all the endeavors (John 8:29).**

- 9. The Father's Word is truth, and we are to it live out (Matthew 4:3, 4; John 17:17).**

- 10. The Father gives instructions to the Son for what He is to do in temptations before the temptations come (Matthew 4:3, 4).**



**THE RELATIONSHIP ACTS OF GOD THE FATHER (AS HEAD)
TOWARD THE LORD JESUS CHRIST (AS SUBORDINATE)
(3 of 4)**

- 11. The Father sends the Son to do the Father's work (John 3:17; 4:34; 8:42; 17:3).**

- 12. Only God the Father is good (Matthew 19:17; Mark 10:18; Luke 18:19).**

- 13. God the Father is love and love does not act selfishly (1 John 4:8 together with I Corinthians 13:5).**

- 14. The Father glorifies the Son in His obedience (John 8:54).**



**THE RELATIONSHIP ACTS OF GOD THE FATHER (AS HEAD)
TOWARD THE LORD JESUS CHRIST (AS SUBORDINATE)
(4 of 4)**

- 15. The Father and Son have an intimate relationship of the character and leading of the Father in the Son as He works in the Son that the Son carries out (John 10:36-38; 14:10).**

- 16. The Father highly exalts the Son because of the Son's obedience, even to death on the Cross — all creatures are to call Him Lord (Philippians 2:6-11).**

- 17. Because of the Son's obedience, God the Father extended delegated authority by giving all power in heaven and in earth to the Son. He ruled over all nations, all powers, of both angels and mankind, both in this age and the one to come. (Matthew 28:18; Ephesians 1:21-23; 1 Peter 3:22)**



**THE RELATIONSHIP ACTS OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST (AS
SUBORDINATE) TOWARD GOD THE FAATHER (AS HEAD)
(1 of 5)**

- 1. The Lord Jesus Christ acted as if He could not be a head; that such a position was not available to Him. As a result, He emptied Himself of self will and became a bondservant to God the Father and was obedient to the will of the Father, even to death, even to the death of the Cross. In everything, the Son was submissive to the will of the Father. In His youth, He had to learn obedience. (Philippians 2:7, 8; Hebrews 5:8, 9.)**
- 2. He did not live to do His own will, but instead to do the will of the Father who sent Him (John 6:38).**
- 3. Christ loved His Father. This love resulted in His obedience to the Father regardless of what He asked the Son to do. (John 12:49, 50; 14:31; 15:10; 17:4.)**
- 4. As a subordinate, the Son only did what came from the Father as a source. He did nothing from His own will or from the will of others. He did nothing on His own initiative. He only spoke what the Father gave Him; everything that came from the mouth of God. He did not act upon what came from others; only acted on what came from His Father (Matthew 4:3, 4; John 5:19, 20; 8:42; 12:49, 50; 14:8-11)**



**THE RELATIONSHIP ACTS OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST (AS
SUBORDINATE) TOWARD GOD THE FAATHER (AS HEAD)
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- 5. Because of their intimate relationship, the Father and Son had unity of mind and of spirit, and great fellowship (John 17:21, 24, 25).**
- 6. Because of His obedience and had received every teaching from the Father, all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge were hidden in Christ (Colossians 2:3). He had all the fullness of deity in bodily form (Colossians 2:9).**
- 7. In their intimate relationship, the Son had all the things of the Father (John 16:5).**
- 8. Because of their intimate relationship where the Son only did what the Father was working in Him, others could not tell them apart — They were one. Others could know what the Father was like by knowing Him. Others could tell that the Father was in Him and He was in the Father by examining the works of the Son. The works tell the story. How one thinks and lives his live shows to whom one belongs and whom they represent; either to God or to someone else. (John 8:19; 10:24-26, 30; 14:8-11).**



**THE RELATIONSHIP ACTS OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST (AS
SUBORDINATE) TOWARD GOD THE FAATHER (AS HEAD)
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- 9. In His subordinate role, Christ always did the things that were pleasing to His Father. He did not try to please Himself. The Son always honored the Father. (John 8:29, 49; Romans 15:3.)**
- 10. Because of His obedience, the Son received all power in heaven and in earth; He was highly exalted (Matthew 28:18; Ephesians 1:21, 22; 1 Peter 3:22).**
- 11. The Son walked by faith in the Father to do what He promised. He did not know when He would return. (Only the Father knew when He would return; no man and no angel knew.) (Matthew 24:36.)**
- 12. Being obedient to the Father, He always acted the same; He never changed because He had everything that came from God and was taught from God (Hebrews 13:8).**
- 13. Christ only acted under the authority of His Father; He never acted under the authority of the world as His supreme head (John 8:23).**



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- 14. The Son glorified the Father because He accomplished everything that the Father had given Him to do. His food was always to do the will of the Father and to accomplish His work. In His obedience and love for His Father, He did not seek His own glory. If He did, His witness would not be true. (John 4:34; 8:58; 17:4.)**
- 15. The Son knew that the Father was greater than He was (John 14:28).**
- 16. The Son only acted in His Father's (His head's) name (John 5:43).**
- 17. Christ could do things because He was from God (He did what His head wanted done). He did not do things outside of His chain of command that were not associated with God (John 9:33).**
- 18. The Son moved against those who exploited other subordinates who belonged to the Father. He moved against those who would desecrate the temple — the Father's house (Matthew 21:12, 13); Mark 11:15-18; John 2:13-22).**



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- 19. The Son obeyed the Father's will even if it meant His death and broken fellowship with the Father. As a subordinate, He had the privilege to appeal to His Father that He would not have to do what the Father wanted done; but He would nevertheless do the head's will, regardless. (Matthew 26:39-42.)**
- 20. The Son learned things by being obedient to His Father and head. He did not learn by going to college. He learned things because His Father taught Him all things and trained Him in obedience. Through His obedience the Son learned. He knew God the Father because He kept the Father's commandments. (Heads are responsible for educating and training their subordinates; not outsiders. Subordinates learn by living within authoritative head-subordinate relationships.) (John 7:14-18; 8:19; Romans 1:17; Hebrews 5:8; 1 John 2:3.)**
- 21. The Son was never disobedient or rebellious toward His Father. He knew no sin. (2 Corinthians 5:21.)**



- 1. Christ is head over the Church (Romans 13:1; Ephesians 5:23; Colossians 1:18).**
- 2. God selected the work that the church was to do (Ephesians 2:10).**
- 3. God and Christ choose their subordinates (Luke 6:13; John 6:70; 15:16, 19; 17:18; Acts 9:15; Ephesians 1:4, 5).**
- 4. Christ taught His disciples as subordinates and others as potential subordinates, including those to whom you have compassion (Matthew 5:1, 2; 7:28; 11:1; Mark 4:1; 6:2, 34; 9:31; James 1:5).**
- 5. Christ made provision for the eternal future of His chosen subordinates (John 3:16).**
- 6. Christ loves the believer (John 15:9).**
- 7. God works mightily in believers and gives them the desire of their hearts if they are obedient (Psalm 37:4, 5; Ephesians 3:20).**
- 8. God protects believers so that they will not get tested or tempted beyond what they have been taught or trained to handle (1 Corinthians 10:13).**



- 9. God and Christ supplies all the needs of the believer as they seek their headship (Matthew 6:33; Philippians 4:19).**
- 10. God gives the church a great inheritance (Ephesians 1:11; Colossians 1:12).**
- 11. God gives good gifts to believers including those who ask Him (Matthew 7:11; Luke 11:13).**
- 12. God and Christ gives commands and delegated authority to believers (Matthew 28:18-21).**
- 13. God is to bring judgment where penalty is due; not the believer (Romans 12:19).**
- 14. Christ, as a delegated authority, gives the Name of the Father to believers whom the Father had given Him (John 17:6; Acts 15:14).**
- 15. God, using His Holy Spirit, leads and gives direction to believers; particularly to those who give up their own ways for the ways and teaching of God (Proverbs 3:5, 6; Acts 26:19; Romans 8:14).**



- 16. Christ abides in the believer when believers abide in Him by keeping His commandments; God answers the prayers of believers who abide in Him by keeping His commandments (John 14:23; 15:7, 9, 1).**
- 17. God gives revelations or teachings of His righteousness to the faith-obedient subordinate (Matthew 16;17; Romans 1;17).**
- 18. The Father will give honor to those who follows and serves His Son (John 12:26).**
- 19. Christ came to serve His subordinates and give His life for them (Mark 10:45).**
- 20. God will restore broken fellowship because of sin to believers who confess their sins or wrong doings (1 John 1;9).**
- 21. God disciplines His believers (Hebrews 12:5-7).**
- 22. God continues to work in the believer to bring the believer aligned to God's truth and will (Philippians 1:6; 2:13).**



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- 1. We must give up all rights to act as a head and independent of our head's direction. We must give up all rights to manage our own lives and to work all things together for our good and for the good of others. What is the result if we do this? (Mark 8:34-38; Philippians 2:5-11.)**
- 2. We must abide in the words and teachings of Christ if we are to be His disciples. As obedient and faithful disciples, we will grow to become like Him. Our discipleship is demonstrated when we have love for one another. As we keep His commandments, we abide in His love and demonstrate our love for Him. (John 8:31-32; 13:34-35; 14:15, 21; 15:10.)**
- 3. We are to be obedient to our heads in all our thoughts and actions. We are not to obey those outside our chain of command. We are not to obey society and religious leaders who are not obeying God. (Acts 5:29; 2 Corinthians 10:5; Ephesians 6:5; 1 Thessalonians 2:4; Titus 3:5; James 4:7; 1 Peter 1:4; 4:2.)**



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- 4. The joy and peace (the fruit of the Holy Spirit) of life come when we are obedient to God and our other heads and thus we fellowship with them. It does not come when we obey outside the chain of command. (John 15:7-11; Galatians 5:22-23; 1 John 1:1-2:6.)**
- 5. We are to follow after Christ and accomplish His work, under His authority because He has the delegated authority. He sends us out to do His work. (Matthew 4:19; 28:18-20; Mark 3:14; 6:7.)**
- 6. We must believe that God exists and seek after Him to do His will. We must believe that He will reward us as we do His will. (Hebrews 11:6.)**
- 7. We are to walk in the same manner as Christ walked in obedience to the Father. We are to imitate God and Christ. (1 John 2:6).**
- 8. We are to arrange our lives to that we can obey God and Christ and live lives that is pleasing to them. We are not to be entangled in the affairs of the world that would prevent this type of living. (John 8:29; 1 Thessalonians 4:1; 2 Timothy 2:4; 1 John 3:21-22.)**



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- 9. We are to love God and Christ with our total being and love others as we love ourselves. When we love God, we have the capacity to love others. If we truly love God and live that way, we will live without fear of where we will be in eternity (and also as to what will happen to us in this life). (Matthew 22:36-34; 1 John 2:5; 4:8, 16-19.)**
- 10. We must honor Christ in order to honor the Father (John 5:23).**
- 11. Everything that we do, we are to do in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ and give thanks to the Father who sent Him (Colossians 3:17).**
- 12. We will be successful if we obey God in life and service. We will govern God's affairs. (Joshua 1:8; Zechariah 3:7.)**
- 13. In Christ's work and the life that He represents, we cannot participate in them unless we abide in Christ. We abide in Christ and His love by keeping His commandments. (John 15:5, 10).**
- 14. We cannot successfully serve ourselves and other masters, and Christ at the same time. We must choose whom we will serve. (Joshua 24:15; Matthew 6:24.)**



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- 15. We are to seek first to act under God's authority and by His commandments over everything else. We must act diligently to learn God's Word accurately and present ourselves to Him as workmen that have no need to be ashamed. (Matthew 6:33; 2 Timothy 2:15).**
- 16. If we as believers abide in Christ's Word, then we demonstrate that we are disciples of Christ (John 8:31-32).**
- 17. If we are truly committed to Christ and love Christ with our whole minds, then we will do the work of Christ (John 21:15-19).**
- 18. If we are to obey Christ, we must submit to the leaders who are over us (Hebrews 13:17).**
- 19. We are to constantly seek for the things concerning God and heaven — those things above, instead of the the things that are in the world (Colossians 3:1-4).**
- 20. Our true food for live is to the will of the Father and accomplish His Work (Matthew 26:39; John 4:34; Ephesians 2:10; 2 Timothy 1:9). God and Christ give us the mandates and send us into the world to accomplish their works. We do not send ourselves, nor do we do our work (Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:15; John 17:18; 20:21).**



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- 21. We are to do the will of the Father even if it means extreme hardship, imprisonment, and death (Matthew 26:39; John 21:18-19; Acts 21:10-14).**
- 22. We cannot enter into a relationship with the Father unless it is His choice (also our choice (John 6:64-65)).**
- 23. God the Father leads us by His Holy Spirit as He is in us and we are in Him (John 14:20; Romans 8:14). As did the Lord Jesus, we are to work out what the Father is working in us through Christ (John 14:10-12; cf. 1 John 2:6).**
- 24. We are to love God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ and do their will instead of our will according to the things in the world. We are to be, have, and do what God wants instead of what we want. We are not to be self-willed independent of God. (John 14:15; 15:10; 1 John 2:5; 15-16.)**
- 25. We are to walk in a trust in God to do what He says that He will do. We are to walk in God's righteousness, instead of any that we think that we have. We are to live trusting God to manage our lives, instead of managing our own. But this management and revelation of God's will comes from our faith-obedience to God. (Mark 9:23; Romans 1:17; 8:28; 14:23; Hebrews 11:1, 6.)**



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- 26. As subordinates, God tests and proves us by allowing us to experience trials, testings, and temptations for which He has prepared us. (Job 23:10; 1 Corinthians 10:13; James 1:2-4; 1 Peter 1:6-9; 4:12-13; 2 Peter 3:9.)**
- 27. As we mature in Christ, doing His will and works, we receive the fullness of God and Christ (Ephesians 3:19; 4:13; Colossians 1:9).**
- 28. We are to seek the glory of God. We are not to seek our glory, because if we do our witness is not true, and we sin because we will be rebelling against God and unrighteousness will be found in us. (John 7:18; 8:54; 1 Corinthians 10:31.)**
- 29. We are to love the approval of God, more than the approval of men (of our parents, more than the approval of our peers). (Thus, pleasing God [and parents] must have a higher priority than pleasing men.) (John 12:43; Acts 5:29.)**
- 30. We are to walk in the fellowship of God. This means we are to do all their will without any disobedience. When we have disobedience, we are to turn away from it and ask forgiveness. (1 John 1:1-2:6.)**



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- 31. We are to live as living sacrifices to God as instruments of righteousness, transforming our lives to those that God wants (Romans 6:13; 12:1-2).**
- 32. We are always to tell God of our most intimate thoughts, and He will guide our lives. We are not to do things in secret, God does not (Proverbs 3:6-7; Amos 3:7).**
- 33. Our first allegiance is to Christ and God and their wishes. Our reason for living is to be Christ and things in heaven, not in things on the earth. (Matthew 8:19-22; Luke 12:15; Philippians 1:21; Colossians 3:1-2.)**
- 34. We are to live by God's righteousness, not by our own ideas (Galatians 2:20; Philippians 3:9).**
- 35. All things have come from God and our Lord Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 8:6).**
- 36. The greatest one among us will be the greatest servant of all. Christ did not come to be served, but to give His life for us. (Mark 10:43-45.)**



RELATIONSHIP OF THE HUSBAND AS HEAD TO THE WIFE AS SUBORDINATE

- 1. Husband is head of the wife. (Ephesians 5:23)**
- 2. Husband is to love his wife. (Ephesians 5:25)**
- 3. Husband is to love his wife as his own body and nourish and cherish her. (Ephesians 5:28-29)**
- 4. Husband is to love his wife as himself (Ephesians 5:33)**
- 5. Husbands are to live with their wives in an understanding way, as with a weaker vessel, and grant her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered. (1 Peter 3:7)**



RELATIONSHIP OF WIFE AS SUBORDINATE TO HER HUSBAND AS HEAD

- 1. The wife desire is to be for her husband, and he will rule over her. (Genesis 3:16)**
- 2. Wives are subject to their husbands in everything as fitting in the Lord. This is true even in the husband is an unbeliever (Colossians 3:18; Ephesians 5:22, 24; 1 Peter 3:1-6)**
- 3. Wife is to respect her husband. (Ephesians 5:33)**
- 4. Wife does her husband good and never evil in all that she does. (Proverbs 31:10-31)**
- 5. A wife should not be a constant complainer, vexer, and dripper for it is better to live somewhere else for the husband in such cases. (Proverbs 19:13; 21:9, 19; 25:24; 27:15)**



RELATIONSHIP OF PARENTS AS HEAD TOWARD THEIR CHILDREN AS SUBORDINATES

- 1. Fathers are not provoke their children to anger or exasperate them that they lose hear; but bring them up in the discipline, instruction, and commandments of the Lord. (Ephesians 6:4; Colossians 3:21; Deuteronomy 6:1-2).**
- 2. Train up their children in the way they should go, in the way of biblical wisdom, integrity, teachings, and commandments. Even when they old, they will not depart from them. (Proverbs 22:6; 4:10-12; 7:1-3; 20:7; 1:8-9)**
- 3. Parents should discipline their children with the rod while there is hope. Otherwise they can show hate for their children. (Proverbs 13:24; 19:18; 22:15; 29:15, 17)**



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- 1. Children are to be obedient to their parents in all things, for this is right and is well-pleasing to the Lord. Honor your father and mother and all things will go well for you and you may live long on the earth. (Colossians 3:20; Ephesians 6:1-3)**
- 2. Children are to hear the instruction of their father and give attention that they may gain understanding, God gives sound teaching through the parents. Children are not to abandon the instructions of the Lord. (Proverbs 4:1-2)**
- 3. A wise son accepts his father's discipline, But a scoffer does not listen to rebuke. (Proverbs 13:1)**
- 4. Children are not to assault their fathers or drive their mothers away. This is shameful and disgraceful. (Proverbs 19:26)**



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- 5. Children are to listen to counsel and accept discipline, That they may be wise the rest of their days. (Proverbs 19:20)**

- 6. Children are not to curse their father or mother. Otherwise their lamp of life will go out in time of darkness. (Proverbs 20:20)**

- 7. Children are to listen to their fathers who begot them. They are not to despise their mothers when they are old. (Proverbs 23:22)**

- 8. The eye that mocks a father, And scorns a mother, The ravens of the valley will pick it out, And the young eagles will eat it. (Proverbs 30:17)**