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1 John 2:1-6

# VIVID

A New Picture  
OF OBEDIENCE



THE "S" word

THE "O" word

**We have a  
sin PROBLEM.**



## 1 John 2:1-2 (NLT)

My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you will not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the one who is truly righteous. He himself is the sacrifice that atones for our sins—and not only our sins but the sins of all the world.



Jesus  
is our  
atonement  
& our  
advocate.

**“OBEDIENCE” GETS  
MISUNDERSTOOD.**



## 1 John 2:3-6 (NLT)

And we can be sure that we know him if we obey his commandments. If someone claims, "I know God," but doesn't obey God's commandments, that person is a liar and is not living in the truth. But those who obey God's word truly show how completely they love him. That is how we know we are living in him. Those who say they live in God should live their lives as Jesus did.

**BIBLICAL  
OBEDIENCE IS  
PREVENTATIVE  
OF SIN-DISEASE.**



Loving God is parallel to...

“obey his commandments” (v3)

“living in the truth” (v4)

“obey God’s word” (v5)

“live as Jesus did” (v6)



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## Extras

- John 14:6-26
- Romans 6
- 1 John 5:2-3, 18-19
  
- When you hear “obey” or “obedience,” what are the first few things that come to mind?
- Agree/Disagree: “Obedience” is an unpopular word in our culture.
- Agree/Disagree: The idea of obedience to God as a preventative, healthy lifestyle is helpful.
- How difficult is it for you to think of obedience as a form of love? How difficult might it be for your family members, coworkers, or classmates?

