

Prayer Corner 30

Trust and Obey

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Mary: "I am the servant of the Lord; let it be as you say."

Luke 1:38

As I have been contemplating the events around the birth of Jesus, a common thread struck me—obedience.

Joseph obeys the Angel by not abandoning Mary and marrying his betrothed, who was with child by mysterious circumstances.

Joseph and Mary go to Bethlehem to enroll in the census event even though Mary is heavy with child.

Wise Men discern they must go on a long journey, even though they do not know why they have such a strong urgency.

Shepherds rush from the hillside to Bethlehem trusting the message the angels sing from the heavens.

Joseph heeds the warning message of his dream and flees to Egypt with Mary and Jesus

Later, Joseph brings Mary and Jesus back to Nazareth after another dream, and another message.

As I thought about the responses of all these people who heard God through their dreams or in real time, I marveled that each one listened, immediately trusted what they heard, and quickly obeyed.

They did not ask advice from friends and family, call a committee meeting, or arrange a meeting with their rabbi. They just immediately obeyed!

I believe God is calling us to draw near to Him throughout our day and even in our sleep.

I believe God wants us to make time for Him. God wants us to create a stillness where our thoughts stop and God's begin.

In that still sacred space, we become aware of God's thoughts in our spirit.

Join me in this prayer.

Be Still and Know

Oh Lord God,
I am your servant.
May it be, as You desire.

Please fill me with Your Holy Spirit.
Guide me,
Equip and empower me
To do as you desire.

Help me O Lord, in your appointed time

to act in a way that will serve Your Purpose.
Give me courage and confidence as I immediately respond:

“Yes Lord, I will obey as You ask.
I trust You to be with me, helping me to do your Will.
Thank you for choosing me to be part of Your Purpose
Thank you for sharing Jesus with us.

Listen to the hymn: “Trust and Obey”, using the link below.
You might want to sing along, ponder the words, and acknowledge your obedience and devotion to Jesus, our Lord and Savior.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4dh02OnJpIE>