

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

HOW TO REACT IN TIMES OF SUFFERING

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PART 3: OBEDIENCE AT ANY COST

TRAINING

- In order to make hardened soldiers out of young men, every nation has a training program known as “basic training.” The goal is to destroy the thinking of the young man as an individual and replace it with a blind obedience, first to the drill instructor and later to a commanding non-commissioned officer. Instead of thinking as an individual, the young man is transformed into a group person, living for the group and disregarding his own feelings.
- God is the opposite. Every person is precious in his sight, and God wants each person to have a personal relationship with him and walk in obedience to God the Father, and not to a group of people or an earthly leader.
Ephesians 1:1-13

OBEDIENCE LEADS TO FAITH

- Abraham lived a life of blind faith, being obedient to God. **Hebrews 11:1-10**
- Abraham began as a liar and a fearful man. **Genesis 12:9-20**
- After waiting 11 years for God to fulfill His promise, Abraham and Sarah took the matter into their own hands; the result backfired and we are still suffering the consequences of this mistake today. **Genesis 16:1-16**
- He lied again. **Genesis 20:1-18**
- God called Abraham at the age of 75. **Genesis 12:1-6**
- Confirmation of God’s promise came later. **Genesis 15:1-17**
- The promise of a child. **Genesis 18:1-15**
- Isaac was born after 25 years of living in the Promised Land. **Genesis 21:1-8**
- After some 40 years, Abraham passed his final test. **Genesis 22:1-14; Hebrews 11:17-19**

Are you lining up with the Word of God in your life? **Matthew 10:38**

Do you have an ear to hear with?

