

FRUIT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS—OBEDIENCE
vs.
WORK OF SELF-RIGHTEOUSNESS—
OSTENTATION

1. Write from memory the definition of the fruit of Righteousness—Obedience:

2. To show that you not only know the definition of obedience but that you also understand its meaning, please give two examples of how you have exhibited obedience since you began your study of this fruit of Righteousness:

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3. Write from memory the definition of the work of Self-Righteousness—Ostentation:

4. To show that you not only know the definition of being ostentation but that you also understand its meaning, please give two examples of ways in which you exhibited externally conformable behavior in your life *before* you knew it was an alternative to the fruit of Righteousness—Obedience:

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5. Using your dictionary, dissect and define the words in parenthesis found in Romans 6:16-18.

“Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.” Romans 6:16-18

*Know ye not, that to whom ye (yield) _____
yourselves (servants) _____ to obey,
his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of (obedience)
_____, unto (righteousness)
_____.? But God be (thanked)
_____ that ye were the (servants)
_____ of (sin)_____,
but ye have (obeyed)_____ from the (heart)
_____ that form of (doctrine) _____
_____ which was (delivered) _____
_____ you. Being then made free from sin, ye became the
servants of righteousness. Romans 6:16-18*

6. Information Application: Please re-read Romans 6:16-18 using your dissected and defined meanings. Rewrite in your own words (paraphrase) what this verse means to you. This method of studying your Bible will help you better understand what God is trying to teach you so that you are more apt to apply it in your life.

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7. Using your dictionary, dissect and define the words in parenthesis found in Romans 16:17-19.

“Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offenses contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple. For your obedience is come abroad unto all men. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil.” Romans 16:17-19

*Now I beseech you, brethren, (mark)_____ them
which cause (divisions)_____ and offenses
(contrary)_____ to the
(doctrine)_____ which ye
have learned; and (avoid)_____
them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly;
and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the (simple)
_____. For your (obedience) _____
_____ is come (abroad) _____
_____ unto all men. I am (glad) _____
_____ therefore on your (behalf) _____
_____: but yet I would have you (wise) _____
_____ unto that which is good, and simple
concerning evil.* Romans 16:17-19

8. Information Application: Please re-read Romans 16:17-19 using your dissected and defined meanings. Rewrite in your own words (paraphrase) what these verses mean to you.

This method of studying your Bible will help you better understand what God is trying to teach you so that you are more apt to apply it in your life.

9. Using your dictionary, dissect and define the words in parenthesis found in I Corinthians 1:26-29.

“For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called: But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: That no flesh should glory in his presence.”

I Corinthians 1:26-29

*For ye see your (calling)_____ , brethren, how
that not many (wise)_____ men after the
(flesh)_____, not many mighty, not
many noble, are called: But God hath chosen the (foolish)
_____ things of the world to (confound)_____
_____ the (wise)_____ ;
and God hath chosen the (weak)_____
things of the world to confound the things which are (mighty)_____
_____ ; And (base) _____
things of the world, and the things which are (despised)
_____, hath God chosen, yea, and things*

which are not, to bring to (nought) _____
things that are: That no flesh should (glory) _____
_____ *in his presence.* I Corinthians 1:26-29

Information Application: Please re-read I Corinthians 1:26-29 using your dissected and defined meanings. Rewrite in your own words (paraphrase) what these verses mean to you. This method of studying your Bible will help you better understand what God is trying to teach you so that you are more apt to apply it in your life.

Student Self-Evaluation

Using Information To Develop Your Personal Relation

As a developing Christian, God will place you in difficult situations that will give you opportunities to be obedient.. While in these situations you may find yourself submitting to this fruit or being overwhelmed in a way that may lend you to be ostentatious. When we “try hard to do better,” we often fail and become overly concerned about God’s ability to work things out for our good. When we learn to yield to God’s power we will find it easier to remain be obedient in difficult circumstances.

We have learned that when God acts, he responds in obedience. When man acts in his own power he sometimes responds in ostentation. After learning these truths, how have you found yourself responding to these opportunities:

- ☐ I usually exhibit the fruit of the Spirit—.Obedience.
- ☐ I struggle with yielding to the work of the flesh—Ostentation.

How do you think you could be obedient even when your mind, will, and emotions scream out to be ostentatious? Remember, trying harder to do better is not the right answer! _____

FOR THE GRADER’S USE ONLY:

1. Do you feel your student understands the meaning of the fruit of the Spirit—Obedience and the devil’s offsetting work of Ostentation? Yes or No
2. Would you feel their grasp on these two alternative actions and reactions are:
Strong Strengthening Adequate Minimal Weak
3. Do you believe this student responds somewhat consistently with Obedience even in difficult circumstances?
Often Sometimes Seldom Never
4. Do you believe this student is ready to progress to the next fruit test of Patience?
Yes or No
5. If yes, what leads you to feel this way? _____

6. If no, what are your reasons? _____
