

Obedience is the key that unlocks relationship. Jesus states, “If you love Me, you will obey what I command.” This is the very heartbeat of our love for Jesus. With every bending of our will to the will of “The Father” we express our passion for Christ. Our following the words and commands of Christ is a love song played out in a tune designed to enhance and strengthen our ties with our Father. Through our obedience we hear and understand more fully what the indwelling Spirit of Christ is prompting and promoting in our lives. Listen, “If anyone loves Me, he will obey My teaching. My Father will love him, and 'WE' will come to Him and make our home with Him.” Jesus said this to His disciples, allowing them and us to see the connection between following His teaching and having the privilege of being God’s child.

We are family because we’ve chosen to keep Christ’s words in our hearts and make them our life. No matter the pressure. No matter the alluring temptation. No matter how others might dress-up the “way of the world” in religious garb. No matter how out of touch with reality those close to us may try to make us feel – we thrive as Christians only as we keep to the commands of Jesus. We become a new song!

What tune are you playing?

“Teach me Your way, O Lord!”

– Dale