

Sermon Study Questions

Sunday, December 3, 2023

1. Read Matthew 5:17-20
2. What is the active obedience of Christ?
3. Where is the active obedience of Christ found in His words in v.17, "I have not come to abolish the Law and the Prophets, but to fulfill them"? What does the word fulfill mean?
4. Contrast the active obedience of Christ with the passive obedience of Christ. Why is it that Christ was always engaged in both active and passive obedience?
5. The active obedience of Christ is necessary in order for anyone to inherit glory. Why?
6. What problem did the cross of Christ solve for us? Why is it that the cross of Christ isn't enough to save us?
7. If all that Christ did was pay for our sins on the cross then we are in the same position Adam was in prior to him sinning and incurring any guilt. Why is this? Why would our situation be far more hopeless than Adam's situation was?
8. How did Christ solve the problem of our needing to be positively righteous in order to inherit heaven, and how does His righteousness become yours?
9. On the day of his death Dr. Machen said in a telegram to his friend Professor John Murray, "I am so thankful for the active obedience of Christ. No hope without it." How is it that the active obedience of Christ solidifies your hope?
10. Pray!

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Q. 103. Which is the first commandment?

A. The first commandment is, You shall have no other gods before me.

[Ex. 20:3.](#)

Q. 104. What are the duties required in the first commandment?

A. The duties required in the first commandment are, the knowing and acknowledging of God to be the only true God, and our God; and to worship and glorify him accordingly, by thinking, meditating, remembering, highly esteeming, honoring, adoring, choosing, loving, desiring, fearing of him; believing him; trusting, hoping, delighting, rejoicing in him; being zealous for him; calling upon him; giving all praise and thanks, and yielding all obedience and submission to him with the

whole man; being careful in all things to please him, and sorrowful when in anything he is offended; and walking humbly with him.

[1 Chr. 28:9](#); [Deut. 26:17](#); [Isa. 43:10](#); [Jer. 14:22](#); [Ps. 95:6-7](#); [Matt. 4:10](#); [Ps. 29:2](#); [Mal. 3:16](#); [Ps. 63:6](#); [Ecc. 12:1](#); [Ps. 71:19](#); [Mal. 1:6](#); [Isa. 45:23](#); [Josh. 24:15, 22](#); [Deut. 6:5](#); [Ps. 123:25](#); [Isa. 8:13](#); [Ex. 14:31](#); [Isa. 26:4](#); [Ps. 130:7](#); [Ps. 37:4](#); [Ps. 32:11](#); [Rom. 12:11](#); [Num. 25:11](#); [Phil. 4:6](#); [Jer. 7:23](#); [Jas 4:7](#); [1 John 3:22](#); [Jer. 31:18](#); [Ps. 119:136](#); [Mic. 6:8](#).