



WBS Evening Table Talk Questions for January 27, 2010

The Heart's Cry For Obedience..... Luke 22:39-44

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Ice Breaker:

What food tempts you the most or do you find the hardest to resist?

Table Set:

1. In 1 Sam. 15, Saul was commanded by God through Samuel to go and kill Amalek and not to spare men, women, children, cattle or sheep. But Saul spared King Agag and the best of the sheep and cattle as the portion of the Israelites spoil. Then he couched his disobedience in a "sacrifice to the Lord." Samuel rebuked Saul in vs. 22 and said, *"Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold to obey is better than sacrifice, and to listen than the fat of rams."* Why is obedience better than sacrifice in God's eyes? Do you find obedience easy or difficult? Explain your answer.

2. Look/read at the parallel passage in Mark 14:32-42. Jesus explains how to resist temptation in four ways. List the four ways [1) vs. 34, 2) vs. 35, 3) vs. 33,37,40,41 and 4) vs. 36] and discuss how each step is beneficial to obedience. How did Jesus demonstrate each of these for us to follow? At what point do you have a tendency to stumble? Brainstorm as a group practical ways or specific strategies to follow through with resisting temptation and obeying at each stage. As a group, find some verses about obedience to help strengthen your resolve to resist temptation in each of these four areas.

3. Consider sharing a current area of temptation with your group or writing down a request for prayer support in a specific area and exchanging with another individual. Pray specifically for each other this week for obedience in these areas.

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