

V. OBEYING JESUS DEMANDS **SURRENDER**

“His mother said to the servants, “Whatever He says to you, do it.”
John 2:5

Obedience is...

- Doing **what** you're told to do.
- **When** you're told to do it.
- With the right heart **attitude**.

“24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

25 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.”

Matthew 16:24-25

**Commit To Being Obedient To Jesus Like
Mary The Mother Of Jesus!!**

AT THE CROSS WITH PEOPLE WHO WERE THERE At The Cross...Mary The Mother Of Jesus Life Lessons About Obedience **Pastor Steve Reynolds**

INTRODUCTION

- A.** Many people followed Jesus in his life, but only a few followed him to his death. The At The Cross teaching series will introduce you to the positive Bible characters who were at the cross with Jesus. This experience will draw you closer to Jesus during the sacred Easter season.

“looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”
Hebrews 12:2

- B.** In this series, you will have the rare opportunity to look at the cross through the eyes of those who were there and learn valuable life lessons from them.

Feb 18 **At The Cross...Mary Magdalene**
Life Lessons About Devotion

Feb 25 **At The Cross...John The Disciple**
Life Lessons About Courage

TODAY **At The Cross...Mary The Mother Of Jesus**
Life Lessons About Obedience

Mar 11 **At The Cross...The Roman Soldier**
Life Lessons About Grace

Mar 18 **At The Cross...The Criminal On The Cross**
Life Lessons About Salvation

Mar 25 **At The Cross...You And Me!**
Life Lessons About Suffering

- C.** **TEXT:** John 19:25-27 (Pew Bible/Pg. 1178/New Test.)

Mary was the only person there when Jesus took his **first** breath and his **last** breath.

LIFE LESSONS ABOUT OBEDIENCE FROM MARY THE MOTHER OF JESUS

I. OBEYING JESUS BEGINS WITH **FAITH**

“34 Then Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I do not know a man?”

35 And the angel answered and said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.

36 Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren.

37 For with God nothing will be impossible.”

38 Then Mary said, “Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word.” And the angel departed from her.” Luke 1:34-38

“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.” Hebrews 11:1

II. OBEYING JESUS INCLUDES **JOY** AND **SORROW**

“27 So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law,

28 he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said:

*34 Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, “Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against
35 (yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.”*

Luke 2:27-28, 34-35

“These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.” John 16:33

III. OBEYING JESUS COMMUNICATES **LOVE**

“46 Now so it was that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions.

47 And all who heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers.

48 So when they saw Him, they were amazed; and His mother said to Him, “Son, why have You done this to us? Look, Your father and I have sought You anxiously.”

49 And He said to them, “Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father’s business?”

51 ... but His mother kept all these things in her heart.”

Luke 2:46-49, 51b

“15 “If you love Me, keep My commandments.

21 He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me...” John 14:15, 21a

IV. OBEYING JESUS REQUIRES **COMMITMENT**

“31 Then His brothers and His mother came, and standing outside they sent to Him, calling Him.

32 And a multitude was sitting around Him; and they said to Him, “Look, Your mother and Your brothers are outside seeking You.”

33 But He answered them, saying, “Who is My mother, or My brothers?”

34 And He looked around in a circle at those who sat about Him, and said, “Here are My mother and My brothers!

35 For whoever does the will of God is My brother and My sister and mother.” Mark 3:31-35

“For we have become partakers of Christ if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast to the end,”

Hebrews 3:14