The Servant's Call: Knowing and Doing God's Will



Explore the Gospels over three days focusing on Luke 12:47–48 and the call to obedience that knowledge of God's will demands.





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Introduction

The Gospels are powerful accounts of Jesus' life, teachings, death, and resurrection. They reveal God's heart and His plan for salvation through Jesus Christ. Among many profound teachings, there is a call that stands out strongly in Luke 12:47–48, where Jesus highlights that knowledge brings responsibility. Those who know God's will yet fail to obey face greater accountability.

Why is this important? As followers of Christ, understanding His will is not just informative—it demands a response in our daily lives. Ignorance may allow some grace, but once we know God's commands, we must walk faithfully in them. The Gospels challenge us to live in alignment with Jesus' example and teachings, combined with a heart of obedience.

Over the next three days, we will delve into selected passages from the Gospels coupled with Luke 12:47—48's calling to live responsibly with knowledge. We'll reflect on the deep connection between knowing God's will, accepting the responsibility it brings, and how that transforms our daily walk with Jesus. *May this journey inspire renewed commitment and joyful obedience* as we behold Jesus, the Servant who perfectly knew and fulfilled the Father's will.

















Your Verse

Luke 12:47—48 - 'The servant who knows the master's will and does not get ready or does not do what the master wants will be beaten with many blows.'

Supporting Scriptures

- John 14:15 'If you love me, keep my commands.'
- Matthew 7:24 'Anyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.'







Devotional: Knowing God's Will Demands Action

Knowing God's will begins with Jesus. In Luke 12:47—48, Jesus tells us that knowledge carries responsibility, warning the servant who knew the master's expectations but chose disobedience. This passage reminds us that knowledge isn't neutral—it demands action. We don't simply accumulate facts about Jesus; we respond to Him through obedience.

Jesus, the perfect Servant, completely obeyed the Father's will, demonstrating humility and commitment. Through faith in Him, we come to understand God's heart. His commands guide us into abundant life. John 14:15 makes it clear: love for Jesus flows out into obedient living.

Reflect on your own knowledge of God's will. Are there areas in your life where knowing is not yet leading to doing? How might you move from mere information to faithful obedience? Let this passage inspire a fresh commitment to live out what you know of God's desires.







Reflect and Apply

2. In what ways have you experienced the call to obedience as a responsible knowledge?	onse to
3. How do Jesus' teachings shape your understanding of responsibili toward God?	ty







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time when you knew God's will but struggled to obey it.
2.	List the areas in your life where you want to grow in obedient faith.
3.	Reflect on how love for Jesus motivates your actions.







Prayer for Today

Lord, thank You for revealing Your will through Your Son, Jesus. Help me not only to know Your commands but also to live them daily. Strengthen my heart to be obedient and faithful even when it's difficult. Teach me to walk in love and responsibility, reflecting Your character to others. May I honor You with my actions as I grow in understanding. In Jesus' name, Amen. (?)

















Your Verse

Luke 12:47—48 - 'But the one who does not know and does things deserving punishment will be beaten with few blows.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Romans 6:16 'When you offer yourselves to someone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one you obey.'
- Hebrews 5:8 'Although he was a son, he learned obedience from what he suffered.'







Devotional: Faithful Obedience Reflects Our True Master

Obedience grows as we deepen our relationship with Christ. Luke 12 contrasts the servant who knows and doesn't obey with the one who doesn't know. The difference lies not only in punishment but in faithfulness and love. Even Jesus learned obedience through suffering (Hebrews 5:8) and perfectly fulfilled God's plan.

Our walk as servants involves daily choices—trusting God, loving others, and submitting to His will. This faithfulness is not about legalism but a heart aligned with God's purposes. Romans 6:16 reminds us that obedience marks the master we serve. When we understand that, our lives take on new meaning and responsibility.

Ask yourself: How does my knowledge of God's will affect my attitude toward obedience? Am I faithfully walking as a servant of Christ who loves and trusts God completely? Let today inspire faithful steps forward in your service to the Master.







Reflect and Apply

	How does understanding the consequences of obedience and disobedience influence your daily choices?
2.	In what ways can suffering teach us to obey God more deeply?
3.	What does it mean for you personally to be a servant of Christ?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Describe how your relationship with Jesus has shaped your willingness to obey.
2.	Write about an experience where trusting God led you to act faithfully despite challenges.
3.	List practical ways you can serve God with greater faithfulness this week.







Prayer for Today

Father, I desire to be a faithful servant who loves and obeys You. Help me to grow in trust even when obedience is difficult. May my life reflect Your will and may I honor You not just in word but in action. Teach me through everything I face and remind me that I belong to You. Thank You for Your patience and grace as I learn to walk in faithful obedience. In Jesus' name, Amen. \bigwedge \heartsuit \bigcirc \bigcirc







Day 3: Living Responsibly in God's Kingdom









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Your Verse

Luke 12:48 – 'From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked.'

Supporting Scriptures

- James 3:1 'Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly.'
- 1 Peter 4:10 'Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace.'







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Devotional: Steward God's Gifts with Faithful Obedience

With greater knowledge comes greater responsibility. Luke 12:48 confronts us with sobering truth: the blessings and understanding we receive from God require us to respond with intentional faithfulness. In God's Kingdom, stewardship is a serious matter. Those entrusted with much—whether gifts, resources, or teaching—will be held accountable.

James 3:1 reminds us of the weight of responsibility, especially for leaders and teachers. But this principle is universal: we are all stewards of God's grace as 1 Peter 4:10 teaches. Our obedience is an active stewardship that blesses others and glorifies God.

This truth challenges lazy or lukewarm faith. Are we living responsibly, using all He has given us for His purposes? Today, choose to embrace the calling to steward well what God has entrusted to you. Walk in obedience that honors the Master who knows and judges our hearts.







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Reflect and Apply

	What gifts or knowledge has God entrusted to you that require faithful stewardship?
	How do you respond to the challenge of increased responsibility in your spiritual walk?
3.	In what ways can you serve others as a steward of God's grace today?







Day 3: 🖰 Living Responsibly in God's Kingdom

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about your current stewardship of time, talents, and resources.
	Reflect on how living responsibly honors God and impacts those around you.
	Set goals for deepening your obedience and responsibility in the coming weeks.
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Day 3: 6 Living Responsibly in God's Kingdom

Prayer for Today

Gracious God, thank You for entrusting me with Your gifts and knowledge. Help me live responsibly and obediently, honoring You with my whole life. May I steward everything You've given wisely and use it to serve others. Give me strength to remain faithful and joyful, trusting Your guidance as I grow. May my life bring glory to You alone, in Jesus' name. Amen. 🙌 🖓 😂







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