



**FAITH THAT OBEYS**

**REAL FAITH PRODUCES UNCONDITIONAL OBEDIENCE.**

**WEEK TEN | ERASE THE EDGE**

One of the strongest statements from this week's Bible study was, "Real faith produces obedience based, not outcome based decision making." That's challenging isn't it? Honestly, we like to work the angles, we hedge our bets, we calculate and evaluate what will work best for us and then we decide whether or not we will obey. Jesus addressed this attitude with His disciples when He told them to count the cost.

Salvation is a free gift but when we take it, we give everything to God in return as an act of worship. That includes our desires, hopes, dreams, our very lives. How amazing to see these principles at work in three Hebrew teenagers known as Shadrach, Meshec and Abed Nego. No matter what the outcome they had determined to obey God and all because they really had something to live and die for, Him!

**Leaders:** Take your group through each section: Pray, Reflect, and Reach. Keep in mind the time allowances. In the Reflect section, feel free to focus on several of these questions instead of all as time allows.



**WATCH**

Play the video prepared for this lesson by Pastor Derek Neider. Video sessions are available for download at [www.cclasvegas.org/b2r](http://www.cclasvegas.org/b2r).



**PRAY** (10 min)

Pray for courage to keep your convictions no matter what the cost.



**REFLECT** (25 min)

As you've had the opportunity to reflect on what God has spoken to you through the lesson this week, reflect on how God has been faithful to you, faithful to point that it amazed you.

- **Are there areas in your life where your faith has been affected because you have been more concerned about the outcome instead of just walking in obedience? Identify those areas and the outcomes that concern you. Choose to trust God with those outcomes.**
- **Why was refusing to bow down to an idol such a big deal to these three Hebrew boys? What Scriptures did they not want to disobey?**
- **Explain how faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ leads us to a life of obedience in all areas and how that obedience is unconditional.**

**"FAITH TAKES GOD WITHOUT ANY IFS"**

D.L. MOODY

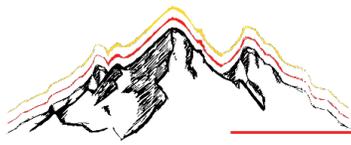
**"IF YOU LOVE ME, KEEP MY COMMANDMENTS."**

JOHN 14:15

While we may say we are willing to die for our Christ, none of us knows until presented with that choice. But, as Pastor Derek said, being willing to die for Christ begins with being willing to live for Him every day. Christians have so much to live for with Jesus in their lives!

- **What has Jesus done in your life that daily motivates you and encourages you to give Him your best?**





## REACH

Spend a couple of minutes sharing praise reports from last week's action step which was: Commit to identifying 3 steps of faith that God has been calling you to take over the past 8 weeks. **How did that go?**

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"YOU WILL BELIEVE GOD FOR THE BIG AFTER YOU HAVE BELIEVED HIM FOR THE SMALL."

DEREK NEIDER

**Commit to living fearlessly for the Lord.**

**Commit to identifying an area where you've drawn a false boundary that has limited your obedience or an area where obedience has been affected by an expected outcome.**

**Choose to live out your faith and make decisions that are obedience based and watch God demonstrate His faithfulness.**

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"FOR WHO HAS DESPISED THE DAY OF SMALL THINGS?"  
ZECHARIAH 4:10

**Stand strong on His word and take the steps of faith! As we move forward together at CCLV spend time praying this week for B2R and God's miraculous provision as we fulfill His mission in reaching souls with the gospel in Las Vegas. If you didn't get the Prayer Path handout at church feel free to download it at [cclasvegas.org/b2r](http://cclasvegas.org/b2r).**

While this is the last study in the series, we hope that when you meet next week there will be many praise reports. Our hope and prayer is that this study has strengthened and stretched your faith!

