

Are you a Worshipper of or a Warrior against God?

Luke 19:28-40

Following Jesus requires:

- Faith (vv. 28-29, Heb. 11:1, 6) **Main enemy to faith:**
 - Fear (2 Tim. 1:7)
- Listening (vv. 30-31) **Listen to what?**
 - God's Word
 - Holy Spirit
- Obedience (vv. 32-35, Deut. 28:1-14 James 1:22-25, Luke 6:46)

Obstacles to obedience:

- Lack of discipline
- Lack of funds
- Lack of knowledge
- Lack of time
- Stubbornness

Reactions to Jesus:

- Some worshipped Him. (vv. 36-38)
 - Gave of their possessions.
 - Gave of their time.
- Some went to war with Him. (vv. 39-40)

Why is understanding this story so important?

- Our worship of God is experienced through our faith in God.
- Our faith in God is then expressed when we listen to God.
- Our listening to God is made manifest by our obedience to God.

Points to Ponder:

- Is your faith in Christ something you are waiting for, or something you are currently expressing? (James 2:26)
- Do your listening skills require only your ears or your heart as well? (Prov. 23:19)
- Is your obedience contingent upon your ability, or is your ability the result of your obedience? "He doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called."
- Are you a true worshipper of God, or is there something you are at war with God about?