

“Star Wars” Study Guide from 9-30-2018

Key Scriptures: “Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.” James 4:7

- Daniel 10:12 “From the first day that you set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard; and I have come because of your words.”
- John 5:19 “Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner.”
- John 5:3 “I can of Myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is righteous, because I do not seek My own will but the will of the Father who sent Me.”
- John 6:38 “For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.”
- John 8:28-29 “When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am He, and that I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things. And He who sent Me is with Me. The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things that please Him.”

Start Talking:

Read Daniel 10:12-13. Pastor Bobby said, “Sometimes we stop praying too soon.” Have you ever given up in praying for something that God hasn’t answered yet?

Pastor Bobby said that our prayers call in “air support”, petitioning the commission of angels. How would your prayer life be changed if, when you prayed, you expected angelic support to arrive?

Pastor Bobby shared that “The Force Awakens” refers to a renewed powerful onslaught from Satan against the world. How can you be prepared for an attack from “evil” without living a life of paranoia?

Pastor Bobby said that Satan’s kingdom is based on rebellion against authority. List some examples of people or groups today who are consistently rebelling against authority.

Start Thinking:

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Pastor Bobby said that God’s authority extends to family. Are there any forces in our culture that encourage children to disobey and disrespect their parents? Share.

When is it necessary for a child to disobey his or her parent?

Start Sharing:

Why do some parents give their children the impression that they are their equal (regarding authority) - their buddy? What’s wrong with a parent being comfortable in an authoritative role? Share.

Share a time when you actively prayed specifically for someone in governmental authority. “The heart of the king is in God’s hands.”

Many workers are trained to call themselves “associates” with other employees, even their bosses and corporate leaders. Why has it become so unpleasant to accept that you are just a worker, and not nearly as elevated as those who have been in your company for much longer and do more important things for the company? Share.

Start Praying:

“Lord, help us follow Your Word by being submissive to those in authority over us. This grates against our flesh, so help us to crucify the flesh and follow your example. In the name of Jesus. Amen.”

Start Doing:

Pastor Bobby said that “immorality is strengthened” when authority to God’s word is weakened. Can you list any cultural movements that are rebellious against the authority of God’s word? Discuss.

Describe the difference between being afraid of a bad person based on your own power to defeat them, and NOT being afraid because of the authority you have in God’s power. How do we live? How should we live? Share and discuss.

Read John 5:19, 30, 6:38, and 8:28-29. If Jesus was willing to be submissive, why do children resist authority of parents, wives to husbands, workers to bosses, citizens to government, and members to church leaders? Are we more entitled than Jesus?