## LIFE APP:

# OBEDIENCE

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### MEMORY VERSE:

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KEY QUESTION: WHY IS THE BIBLE IMPORTANT? Even though it was written a long time ago, the Bible is so important to our lives today. We learn how God who God is and how He wants us to live and relate with others by reading the Bible and doing what it says.

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**KEY QUESTION:** WHAT IS AT STAKE IF YOU DON'T OBEY? If you opt to choose a path different than your leader's request, what could happen? Trusting and obeying what God says can be a positive thing, but disobedience can lead to negative consequences. Just like Adam and Eve, we have the choice to obey God and do what He says.

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KEY QUESTION: WHAT IS THE HARDEST THING ABOUT FOLLOWING SOMEONE? Think about it. There's not really a 'right answer' is there? Each of us might answer that question a bit differently. But it's something we need to think about if we want to be a person who stands out from the crowd.

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KEY QUESTION: WHAT DO YOU THINK YOUR LEADERS KNOW THAT YOU DON'T? When we start to realize that our leaders just might know something we can learn, it changes everything! That scary thing that we've been asked to do, doesn't seem so scary anymore. That's why this is such an important question to ask.

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