**R1012 (437) June 16, 2024 (Father’s Day)**

The **T**heme:  **Our Father**[berita-bethel-ung.com](http://www.berita-bethel-ung.com)

The **T**ext: *Children, obey your parents… Honour* ***thy father*** *and mother…* Eph. 6:1, 2

The **T**hots:

Today is Father’s Day.

1. **Meditate on how the Son…**
2. … ‘**Onoured God the Father in Heaven.**
3. The **S**on **S**ought His Father’s Honour. Jn. 17:1

*Father, the hour is come; glorify Thy Son, that Thy Son also may glorify Thee.*

1. Though the **S**on is of the **S**ame **S**tatus as the Father…
2. *I and My Father are one.* Jn. 10:30
3. *Christ Jesus, being in very nature God…equality with God …* Phil. 2:5b, 6, NIV
4. *The Jews sought…to kill Him, because He…said…God was His Father,*

*making Himself equal with God.* Jn. 5:18

1. …The **S**on was, **S**till is, and will **S**ubject Himself to the Father… See #B1a.ii below
2. Then: *My Father, if this cup may not pass away from Me, except I drink it, Thy will be done.* Mt. 26:42
3. Now*: the Head of Christ is God.* I Cor. 11:3
4. At the end: *Then shall the Son also Himself be Subject unto Him that put all things under Him,*

*that God may be all in all.* I Cor. 15:28

1. The **S**on taught His **S**tudents (disciples) to Honour the Father. Mt. 6:9

*After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.*

1. Note His Inclu**sive** **T**ext – ***our*** *Father*, i.e. only those who could claim God as their Father.
2. Note His Exclu**sive** **T**erm – *pray* ***ye***, i.e. only those He claimed to be His own.
3. Note their Expres**sive** **T**ribute – to pray, *Hallowed be Thy Name*.
4. **…Obeyed God the Father in Heaven -** The Example of Jesus, the Son.
5. Jesus **O**beyed His Heavenly Father:
6. Jesus, the Son, though equal with the Father, **O**beyed Him. Phil. 2:6-8, NIV
7. He was *in very nature* ***G****od…*
8. He *did not consider equality with God something to be* ***G****rasped.*
9. *Then said I, Lo, I come…to do Thy will, O* ***G****od.* Heb. 10:7
10. Then Jesus, as Man (though God’s Son) had to learn **O**bedience. Heb. 5:8
* *Though He were a Son, yet learned He obedience by the things which He* ***S****uffered.*
* He *made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a* ***S****ervant, being made in human likeness.*

*And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient…* Phil. 2:7, 8

1. Jesus was **O**bedient unto death.
2. *O My Father, if this cup may not pass away from Me, except I drink it, Thy will be done*. Mt. 26:42
3. *Being found in appearance as a man,* ***H****e…became obedient to death, even death on a cross*! Phil. 2:8
4. *Father, into Thy hands I commend My spirit: and having said thus, He gave up the ghost*. Lk. 23:46

**II. Meditate on The Obligations of the Human Father on Earth.**

1. In the Old Covenant, fathers were to teach their children to …
2. **O**bserve the Feast of the Passover. Exo. 12:14, 42

*This day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD*

*throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.*

1. **O**bserve the Feast of Unleavened Bread. Exo. 12:17

*Ye shall observe the feast of unleavened bread; for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Egypt: therefore shall ye observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever.*

1. In the New Covenant “*fathers*” (I Jn. 2:13, 14) are to teach their “*children*” (I Jn. 2:12, 13) to …

**O**bserve the two **O**rdinances given to the Church:

1. The Lord’s Baptism: Mt. 28:19

*Go… teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost*:

1. The Lord’s Supper: I Cor. 11:26

*For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till He come.*

On this Lord’s Day (and Father’s Day) may all **C**hildren **C**elebrate the Day **C**orrectly -

To ‘**O**nour and **O**bey their Father in Heaven and their Fathers on Earth,

And may all **F**athers **O**bserve their **O**bligations to their **C**hildren in the **C**hurch **F**amily

To ensure they **O**bserve the Lord’s **B**aptism and the **B**reaking of **B**read (Lord’s Supper).

***Our Father in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name.***

*Honor and glory, thanksgiving and praise, Maker of all things, to Thee we upraise;
God the Almighty, the Father, the Lord; God by the angels obeyed and adored.*

*Thou art the Father of Heaven and earth; Worlds uncreated to Thee owe their birth;
All the creation, Thy voice when it heard, Started to life and to light at Thy Word.*

 From the La­tin *Grad­ual*.

**Points To Ponder:** *As the Son in Heaven* ***O****beys the Father, may all Fathers* ***O****n Earth*

 ***O****bserve to teach their Children to ‘****O****nour their Father in Heaven.*