

Introduction

- Parents sometimes use "Because I said so" in reply to a child.
- Authority, best interest of child, experienced.
- Do we sometimes argue with God?



Obey God

- Num. 21:4-9. Rebellion, repentance, remedy, restoration.
- Gen. 22:1-14. Don't question—obey.
- 2 Kings 5:9-14. Think you have a better way?



Obey God

- Matt. 19:16-22. Must choose Jesus over world.
- Overcome objections. Doesn't make sense, out of touch, illogical, I have a better way, etc.
- Christians and non-believers need to obey.

Because God said so

- Obey the gospel. 2 Thess. 1:7-9; Mark. 16:16.
- Love, forgive, esteem. 1 John 4:20-21; Matt. 6:14-15; Phil. 2:3-4.
- Unify, support, encourage. Eph. 4:1-3, 11-16,
 29-32; Heb. 13:17; I Pet. 5:5-11.

Conclusion

- God provides the answers but we don't always want to follow them.
- Don't let your pride stop you from obeying God like Naaman. Obey like Abraham.
- Why? Because God said so!