



CONQUEST

ADVENT + LENT
WEEKLY ACTIVITY

Print off a copy of the links
for each member and have
them put them on the back
of their shirts.

HEROIC LINKS



**God created everything
out of love and ordered
all things.**

**Created things are great
and beautiful because
they "obey" the order
with which God made
them.**



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OBEDIENCE

With infinite love, God created man in his image and likeness. He made us free so that we could freely love him and live in order through obedience to his Commandments.



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Man and woman (Adam and Eve) did not wish to follow God's instructions; they preferred to live as they wished, not as he had taught them. Hence, they sinned and lost the happiness they had had by following their own whims and refusing to obey God.



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OBEDIENCE

**Through the history of
salvation, the people of
God disobeyed many
times and he would send
them prophets and leaders
to show them how to
obey.**



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**God sent us Jesus Christ
out of love to teach us
the way of obedience and
thus recover the
happiness we had lost
through disobedience.**



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OBEDIENCE

**Jesus obeyed God the
Father by becoming
man and fulfilling his
entrusted mission of
saving us.**



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OBEDIENCE

Jesus also obeyed Joseph and Mary, his earthly parents, by respecting them, fulfilling the responsibilities assigned to him, and helping them in all that they needed and asked.



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He obeyed the Jewish and Roman authorities of his time by paying taxes, respecting laws and persons in authority, and submitting to the judgment and punishment that was imposed upon him without rebelling against it.



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The Gospel tells us that moments before his Passion, he struggled in prayer between what the Father asked of him and what he would have preferred as a man. Yet, he obeyed out of love for us and for every man and woman, and to teach us that obedience is the path to our true happiness.



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Jesus saved us through obedience. The Father asked him to save us, and the path to our salvation was the path of greatest, freest love: death on the cross. In this way, Jesus has given great value and meaning to our obedience by himself obeying with so much love and winning salvation for us through obedience.