Taking Hold by Choosing Obedience

- I. Introduction (Philippians 3:12; Deuteronomy 11:26–28a)
- II. The choice to disobey
 - A. The high cost of disobedience (Genesis 2:16–17; 3:6, 17–19; 1 Samuel 12:14–15; 15:20–22; 13:14; Acts 13:22b)
 - B. God's response to disobedience
 - 1. Conviction by the Holy Spirit
 - 2. Discipline from your loving Father (Hebrews 12:6)
 - 3. Hardening of your heart (Hebrews 10:26–27; Romans 2:4, 6–8)
 - C. Repenting of disobedience (1 John 1:9; Philippians 2:12–13)
- III. The choice to obey
 - A. The motivation to obey
 - 1. God's love for us (1 John 4:9–10; 1:16)
 - 2. Our love for Christ (John 14:15, 21, 23-24; 2 John 6; 1 John 2:3–5

- B. The rewards of obedience
 - 1. Inner peace (Isaiah 48:18)
 - 2. Spiritual understanding and direction (Psalm 111:10)
 - 3. More of Jesus (John 14:21)
- IV. Conclusion (Isaiah 1:19; Philippians 2:8; Romans 5:19)