

Who Do I Obey?

St. Marcellus was expected to obey commands without question. When those commands conflicted with his faith, he chose obedience to Christ instead.

Confirmation strengthens us to obey God even when culture or authority pushes us another way.

Authority vs. Conscience Sort

Below are statements you might hear.

Mark each one with a letter:

- G = aligns with obedience to God
- C = reflects pressure from culture or authority that conflicts with faith

Statements:

1. “Everyone does it — it’s normal.”
2. “This goes against what I know is right.”
3. “You’ll get in trouble if you don’t go along.”
4. “I choose Christ even if it costs me.”
5. “Just follow the rules and don’t think about it.”

Which statement would be hardest for you to resist, and why?

Mini-Reflection (one line)

Complete the sentence:

“I choose to obey God when _____.”

“Holy Spirit, strengthen my conscience to obey God above all.
Help me resist pressure that pulls me away from Christ.
St. Marcellus the Centurion, pray for me.”