

LIFE IN EXILE

SUSTAINED BY HOPE IN A HOSTILE WORLD

1 Peter - Part 11

IN HIS STEPS

Submission: Finding Favor in Following Jesus

(1 Peter 2:18-25)

INTRODUCTION:

• **THE CONTEXT & THE THEME OF SUBMISSION** (1 Peter 2:13-3:12)

1. SUBMISSION IN OUR CIVIC LIFE. (2:13-17)

"Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human institution,..."

2. SUBMISSION IN OUR VOCATIONAL LIFE. (2:18-20)

"Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect,..."

3. SUBMISSION IN OUR SAVIOR'S LIFE. (2:21-25)

"...Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps..."

4. SUBMISSION IN OUR DOMESTIC LIFE. (3:1-7)

"In the same way, you wives, be submissive to your own husbands..."

5. SUBMISSION IN OUR PERSONAL LIFE. (3:8-12)

"To sum up, let all be harmonious, sympathetic, brotherly, kindhearted,..."

TWO CENTRAL PRINCIPLES:

1. YOUR _____ MATTERS TO _____ :

- All of _____, including our _____, is _____.

"Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

—1 Corinthians 10:31

- The opposite of sacred is not _____, but _____.

2. YOUR _____ MATTERS _____ :

"...so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world,..."

—Philippians 2:15

1A. **SUBMIT WITHOUT** _____, ... (v. 18)

“Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and gentle, but also to those who are unreasonable (crooked).”

2A. **EVEN TO THE POINT OF** _____. (v. 19-25)

“For this finds favor, if for the sake of conscience toward God a person bears up under sorrows when suffering unjustly. 20 For what credit is there if, when you sin and are harshly treated, you endure it with patience? But if when you do what is right and suffer for it you patiently endure it, this finds favor with God

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1B. **For the sake of your** _____. (v. 19-20)

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2B. **For the sake of your** _____. (v. 21a)

“For you have been called for this purpose,...”

3B. **For the sake of** _____. (v. 21b-25)

“...since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps, WHO COMMITTED NO SIN, NOR WAS ANY DECEIT FOUND IN HIS MOUTH.”

1C. _____ ... _____. (v. 23)

“...and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting Himself to Him who judges righteously.”

2C. _____ ... _____. (v. 24)

“...and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.”

3C. _____ ... _____. (v. 25)

“For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.”

CONCLUSION: