

“For God’s Glory”

Text: I Peter 2:11-12

Scripture reading: Galatians 5:16-26

Introduction:

I. The glory of obedience – vv. 11-12

A) Urging the beloved – vs. 11a
(II Cor. 4:17; 11:23-28)

B) Urging the negative – vs. 11b
(I Peter 5:12; Gal. 5:19-21, 25; II Tim. 2:22; Jas. 4:7; Rom. 13:14)

C) Urging the positive – vs. 12

Application:

1. The importance of knowing our _____.

2. The importance of _____.

3. The importance of _____.

“Partial and temporary obedience is not obedience; in easy things that do not oppose our lusts, which are not against our reputation, some will do more for a time than they need; but our obedience must be impartial, universal, and constant because God commands it to be so.”

-Richard Sibbes; Puritan theologian and preacher; 1577-1635

SERMON QUOTES:

I. The glory of obedience – vv. 11-12

B) Urging the negative – vs. 11b

David Helm on vv. 11-12,

“In a very real way these two verses function as the threshold to the remainder of the letter. Enter through them and you enter fully into the home of I Peter, where rooms upon rooms explore how the beloved are to live. From here on we learn of true grace in action – what it looks like to stand firm while living far from our heavenly home.”

Thomas Schreiner,

The Christian life is certainly not depicted as passive in which believers simply ‘let go and let God.’