

Hope for Weary Exiles

A trap to avoid: Believing that your heavenly citizenship gives you the right to disregard, defy, and disrespect earthly authorities.

How do heavenly citizens relate to earthly masters (especially unjust ones) in a way that displays and glorifies the Suffering Servant, Jesus Christ?

## 1 Peter 2:18

Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust.

## 1 Peter 2:19-20

${ }^{19}$ For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ${ }^{20}$ For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God.

## 1 Peter 2:21-25

${ }^{21}$ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ${ }^{22}$ He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ${ }^{23}$ When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly.
${ }^{24}$ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ${ }^{25}$ For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

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