

## **"GRACE UNDER PRESSURE"**

Wednesday, February 20, 2019 • 1 Peter 2:11-20 (NASB)



### **1. GRACE TO ABSTAIN UNDER PRESSURE.**

**1 Peter 2:11-20 (NASB)** <sup>11</sup> Beloved, I urge you **as aliens and strangers to abstain from fleshly lusts** which wage war against the soul. <sup>12</sup> **Keep your behavior excellent** among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers, they may because of your good deeds, **as they observe *them*, glorify God in the day of visitation.**

### **2. GRACE TO SUBMIT UNDER PRESSURE.**

<sup>13</sup> **Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human institution**, whether to a king as the one in authority, <sup>14</sup> **or to governors as sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and the praise of those who do right.** <sup>15</sup> For such is the will of God that by doing right **you may silence the ignorance of foolish men.** <sup>16</sup> **Act** as free men, and do not use your freedom as a covering for evil, but **use it** as bondslaves of God. <sup>17</sup> Honor all people, love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king.

### **3. GRACE TO ENDURE UNDER PRESSURE.**

<sup>18</sup> **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. <sup>19</sup> **For this *finds* favor**, if for the sake of conscience toward God a person bears up under sorrows when suffering unjustly. <sup>20</sup> 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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