1 Peter

Part 13: Hi Ho Hi Ho



Last Week's TEXT:

1Pet. 2:13 Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every authority instituted among men... 15 For it is God's will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish men... 17 Show proper respect to everyone: Love the brotherhood of believers, fear God, honor the king.

TODAY's TEXT:

1Pet. 2:18 Slaves, submit yourselves to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and considerate, but also to those who are harsh. 19 For it is commendable if a man bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because he is conscious of God. 20 But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God.

Distinctions:

1Pet. 2:18 Slaves, submit yourselves to your masters with all respect

- οἰκέτης *household servant, "slavery" a different institution in their culture, roughly equivalent to indentured servitude.*
- ὑποτάσσω *to yield to, or place another's position first. Has connotation of something done willingly.*

Who:

Employees: 9-5. Monday morning. Whatever. Whenever.





Employers: Eph. 6:9 And masters, treat your slaves in the same way. Do not threaten them, since you know that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no favoritism with him.

How:

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  (no credit in punishment that is just)
- Do GOOD work, with integrity and respect
- Be faithful in *all* behavior, wise and tactful.

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Col. 3:22 Slaves, obey your earthly masters in everything; and do it, not only when their eye is on you and to win their favor, but with sincerity of heart and reverence for the Lord. 23 Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, 24 since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.



How:

- Be faithful in *all* behavior, wise and tactful.
- 1Pet. 1:13 Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed.
- 1Pet. 2:1 Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind.
- James 3:17 But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. 18 Peacemakers who sow in peace raise a harvest of righteousness.

Why:

- It is Jesus' model
- You are distinct and should live like it
- For the sake of your witness

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2:21 To this **you were called**, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. 22 "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." 23 When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. 24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

Why:

- You are distinct and should live like it.

1Pet. 2:9 But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. 10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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1Pet. 2:11 Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the world, to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul. 12 **Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.**

Primary Purpose

- 1 Peter 2 & 3 are NOT a list of rules for Christian living
- They are a template for the sort of character and relationships that are most productive for BEING USEFUL TO THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE SAVING OF OTHER PEOPLE





