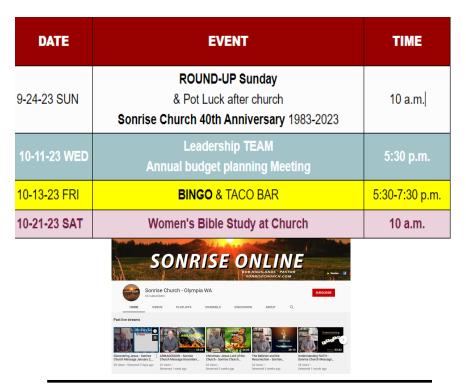


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<u>1 Peter 2.13-17</u>

Be subject for the Lord's sake to every _____

______, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by HIM to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

- These are _____ Institutions or government entities, political leaders elected or appointed.
- These entities have <u>two distinct</u> and <u>defined</u> purposes that help us understand our

and our _____ <u>of</u>

<u>obeying them as believers.</u>

1. "sent by **HIM** to _____ those who do

- to _____ the safety and well-being of its citizens from criminals with just laws and enforcement.
- 2. "sent by HIM ... to _____ those who do
 - to _____ the rights of its citizens without infringing upon those rights.



"Hold me, lest I flee, and return me to my master."

<u>1 Peter 2.18-19</u>

Servants (SLAVES), be subject to your

with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust. For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly.

• _____: Slaves, workers, in our time this would apply to employees.

Bonus study 1st Peter—Week SEVEN

Consider submission in the following scriptures and how it impacted the spiritual life of the individual.

- Monday
 - Romans 13.1-7 What is our responsibilities to the government? What is the purpose of Governments? What should a believer do when the government violates their Biblical beliefs?
- <u>Tuesday</u>
 - How does Romans 13.1-7 compare to 1 Peter 2.13-17? What do we learn from Peter that we do not learn from Romans?
- <u>Wednesday</u>
 - James 4.7 What does this mean to you and how do you apply it to your daily life? How should this change how you live for Christ?
- Thursday
 - Galatians 2.4-5 Why did the apostles refuse to submit to these people in the church. Why is this important for us to know today with so many false doctrines creeping into the church?
- ♦ Friday
 - Wives read 1 Peter 3.1-6, Husbands read 1 Peter 2.3 & Ephesians 5.25 How should the verses that apply to you change your relationship with your spouse.
 - Everyone read Matthew 11.28-29 How is our relationship with Christ based on submission? How is this shown in this verse?

Bonus question **DIGGING DEEPER**

 Read Luke 2.41-52 What do we learn from the submissiveness of Jesus as a boy? What was the results of His actions? How can this help us in our daily lives?

<u>1 Peter 5.6-7</u>

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of ______ so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.

- _____ yourself:* Men, women, we who seek God above self and _____ to HIM!
- Placing your life in the _____
 as seen by God.
- <u>Benefits</u>:
- He _____ you. God lifts up those who humble themselves before him.
- He _____ your anxieties upon himself. The weight of worry is removed.
- He _____ for you. When you make it about Jesus, Jesus makes it about you.

<u>Summing up Christian</u> <u>Submission</u>

We submit to the

when the government is following God's plan.

- <u>We submit</u> to our _____ as part of our Christian witness to the ungodly.
- <u>We submit</u> to ______ to strengthen our relationships as Christian believers.
- <u>We submit</u> to those with _____ to grow and learn from them.
- <u>We submit</u> to _____ as the protector of our souls and our purpose for living.

- <u>**Be</u>** ______: This was about doing your job, completing the task, and being a responsible individual where you work.</u>
- <u>Your</u> : boss, leader, employer, company.
- <u>With all</u>: Christian conduct is not limited to when it suits you to do so.*

<u>1 Peter 3.1-6</u>

Likewise, WIVES, be subject to your own

, so that even if some do not obey the word, they may be won without a word by the conduct of their wives, when they see your respectful and pure conduct. Do not let your adorning be external—the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear— but let your adorning be the hidden person of the heart with the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious. For this is how the holy women who hoped in God used to adorn themselves, by submitting to their own husbands, as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord. And you are her children, if you do good and do not fear anything that is frightening.

- <u>**Righteousness**</u> is a _____ of the Christian wife's (woman's) life.
- Who she is on the _____ should be what is reflected on the _____ in her conduct <u>and</u> <u>dress</u>.
- Her ______ should reflect a holiness that is <u>a testimony</u> to the whole world of her relationship to Christ Jesus.



<u>1 Peter 3.7</u>

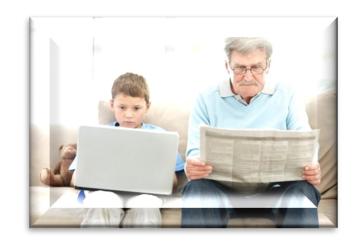
Likewise, , live with your in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so that your prayers may not be hindered.

- Showing honor to the woman as the ______ vessel.
 - This is about physical ability and strength.
 This is not about ______.
- They are _____ with you of the grace of life
 - There is no male and female, for you are all
 <u>in Christ Jesus</u>. Gal 3.28
- That your prayers may not be hindered.
 - Your <u>with your wife</u>
 reflects directly on your <u>with</u>
 <u>God.</u>

A total COMMITMENT to one another the key verses

- Wives, be _____ to your own husbands, 1
 Peter 3.1
- Wives, _____ to your own husbands, as to the Lord. Ephesians 5.21
- Husbands, <u>live with your</u> in an
 _____ 1 Peter 3.7
- Husbands, _____ your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, Ephesians 5.25
- These verses are saying exactly the same thing.
 Marriage is a ______ of two people to

each other completely without any reservations or selfishness.



<u>1 Peter 5.5</u>

Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the

_____ . Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

- In a throw-away, youth-oriented society we have lost one of our greatest assets. The wisdom of
- ______ find themselves struggling with a society that has separated itself into groups that do not interact or understand each other.*
- With this _____ to the past, we see a new generation embracing the mistakes of the past.
- In a world that is changing every 15 minutes a strong ______ of the generations could be just what saves us from ourselves.