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## REVIEW

- ✦ The church was under opposition and localized persecution.
- ✦ Peter reminded the church that they were to remember that they were chosen as the new people of God on their way to their promised land.
- ✦ Which as the people of God they are being made into the new temple, with Jesus as the cornerstone and standard.
- ✦ As they come to Him, they are being transformed from the inside out to be different than the rest of the world to point to Jesus.

## 1. The Command

I Peter 2:13-14—Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, 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.

## 2. The Reason

I Peter 2:15-16— 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.

## 3. The Clarity

I Peter 2:17— Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

## 4. The Calling

I Peter 2:18-21— Servants, be subject to your masters 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. 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. For to this you have been called,

## 5. The Example

I Peter 2:21— ...because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. 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. 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. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

### Ways to represent Jesus in a broken world...

- A. Living as a good citizen
- B. Doing good to those who wrong you
- C. Showing Honor to every human being we meet
- D. Living with a healthy fear of God
- E. Living for a greater reward.

**Here Is The Point:** Let's live differently...