

Good Deeds For God's Glory

Proclamation Life Groups; 1 Peter 2:11-25; Week of Sunday, April 29, 2018; Steve Thiel

Believers lives that are marked by holiness and gospel proclamation, which means they are called to submit to human authorities, even if it results in unjust suffering, so that unbelievers might see their good deeds and glorify God.

I. Living for God's Glory – 1 Peter 2:11-12

- A. What reasons does Peter give us to abstain from the passions of the flesh?
- B. What do you think it looks like to keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable?
- C. What do you think Peter means when he says, “glorify God on the day of visitation”?
- D. How would you like to grow in “letting your light shine before others, so that they might see your good works and glorify your Father who is in heaven” (Matthew 5:16)?

II. Submitting to Man's Authority – 1 Peter 2:13-20

- A. What are all the different reasons why we are called to submit to our governing authorities? What about the context of this letter explains why Peter would give these reasons?
- B. Why do you think it's so hard to submit to bad leadership or wicked governing authorities?
- C. In verses 18-20, what is the motivation for being willing to suffer under a wicked master?
- D. How would you like to grow in being willing to submit to man's authority?

III. Rejoicing in Christ's Salvation – 1 Peter 2:21-25

- A. As you consider the Lord Jesus Christ as an example, what are all the ways that He suffered unjustly? Why do you think suffering unjustly is so glorifying to God?
- B. Looking at verses 21-25, record the long list of things that Jesus Christ has done for us?
- C. How do you currently response when you're unjustly treated? How would you like to grow in this area? What do you think needs to be absolutely clear in your mind in order to do so?
- D. As you consider verse 24, what sins would you like to put to death in your life? How would you like to grow in living a more godly life for the glory of God?