Surrendering to Christ | 1 Peter

A Perfect Example (Part 2)

1 Peter 2:18 - 3:7

~ The Motto of Surrender ~

The Child of God
is an Ambassador of God
from the Kingdom of God
to declare the Excellencies of God
before the Enemies of God,
proclaiming the Gospel of God
for the Glory of God.

"He must increase, and I must decrease."

A Perfect Example

Peter is emphasizing our interaction with unbelievers and how our lifestyles (actions and attitudes || public and private) are the connecting dots in between.

< "Submit" & "Honor" >

Wiersbe's Expository Outlines of the NT

"In word, attitude, and deed, our Lord set a perfect example for us to follow. He did not argue; He did not fight back; He did not revile His accusers after they had reviled Him. He simply committed Himself to His Father and left the outcome with Him."

"It is Christ's example that Peter calls us to follow in all the relationships of life. We need not be concerned about maintaining our rights. Jesus trusted his Father, the righteous Judge, to do that; and so should we. The Christian who follows Jesus does not grasp for privilege; he or she is already privileged beyond imagination. The Christian seeks rather opportunities to imitate Christ in willing subjection to service."

The Message of 1 Peter by Edmund Clowney



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The Message of 1 Peter (Edmund Clowney)

"Peter refers us back to the whole pattern of Christian conduct he has described, the life of Christian pilgrims in this world. This style of life will force hostile pagans to recognize Christian genuineness (2:12)."

"...the non-Christian audience can be positively influenced for Christ as they observe the consistent and godly behavior of a believer."

David Walls & Max Anders

And you are her children... (3:6)

But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, while the son of the free woman was born through promise... Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are children of promise...

So, brothers, we are not children of the slave but of the free woman. \rightarrow Galatians 4:21-31

Live as people who are free... (2:16)

"The NT principle is that our relationships with others are part of our relationship with God. Therefore, what we do to others we are doing to God, and that act will return upon our heads. It will be rewarded when we perform good deeds; it will bring judgment when we commit harm. This principle is found in Matthew 6:14-15 and James 2:13. When husbands do not show love, honor, and thoughtfulness to their wives, they are sinning against God..."

The Cornerstone Biblical Commentary

Holman New Testament Commentary

"To live with your wife and demonstrate wisdom suggests a deep desire to understand your wife, to get to know her at more than just a surface level. It suggests a sensitivity to her needs and a desire to respond to these needs knowledgeably. In many ways, this sounds like submission..."

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