

I PETER: *The Privileges & Perils of the People of God*

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I. The Perils of the People of God - *Living in Exile* (2:11-5:14)

A. Called to Submission (2:11-3:12)

1. An appeal for Godly Living (basis for submission) (2:11-12)

a) Abstain from Fleshly Passions (2:11)

(1) New Identity

(2) Old Desires

(3) Fight Within

b) Abound in Good Works (2:12)

(1) Context

(2) Common Grace

(3) Coming Day of Visitation

2. Submission of Citizens to the State (2:13-17)

a) Nature of submission –

b) Extent of submission -- all levels of authority.

c) Reasoning behind political submission

d) Broad overview of submission -- a summary (2:17)

e) How to view the Church and the State

3. Submission of Servants/Slaves to Master (2:18-20)

a) Respectful, not just dutiful

b) To good and bad masters alike

c) Submission-caused suffering

d) Application to Employee-Employer relationships