



EXILES

Following Christ's Pattern in a Fallen World

1 Peter 2:13-25

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1. Stand Out by Rejecting the World's Patterns (2:13-20)
2. Follow Christ's Pattern for Life in This World (2:21-23)
3. Walk in God's Power Through Christ's Sacrifice (2:24-25)

Questions for Discussion and Application

Quick Review

1. Was there anything in the passage that challenged or encouraged you?
2. How did this passage of Scripture help you see Christ better?

Digging Deeper

1. How do the examples of submission in verses 13–20 challenge or affirm your understanding of how Christians should relate to authority?
2. Compare Peter's call to submission with Daniel's example in Babylon (Daniel 6:4-5). How do both demonstrate faithfulness to God while living in a fallen world?

3. Read Isaiah 53. How is Peter using this passage in vv.21-25?
4. Read Matthew 16:24-25 and Hebrews 12:1-2. What light do these verses shed on 1 Peter 2:21?
5. Read Romans 6:5-11. How does this passage relate to 1 Peter 2:24? How does the death and resurrection of Christ empower your fight against sin?

Taking It Home

1. What are some practical ways you can honor and respect others, including those in authority, while maintaining your ultimate allegiance to Christ?
2. Is there a situation where you struggle to submit to authority? What might it look like to honor God in that circumstance?
3. Think of a time when you faced injustice or mistreatment. How did you respond, and how might Christ's example challenge or affirm that response?
4. What steps can you take this week to "entrust yourself to Him who judges justly" (v. 23) in a specific area of your life?