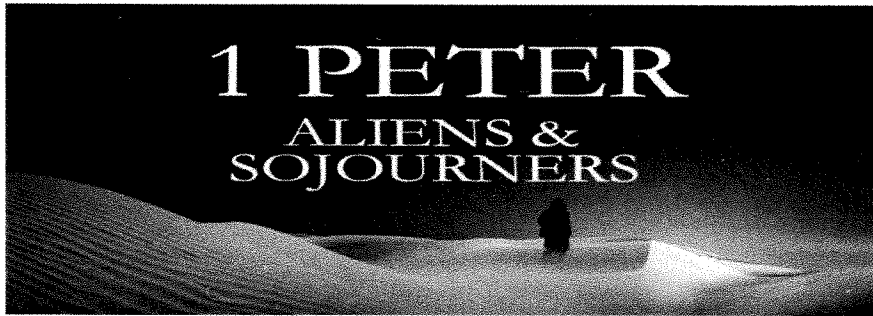




Series: Aliens & Sojourners—1 Peter

Text: 1 Pet. 2:19–25

Title: Christians and Injustice

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Lesson: 12

The Imperative of 1 Peter:

1 Pet. 2:11b–12a – ...abstain from fleshly lusts which wage war against the soul ¹²[by keeping] your behavior excellent among the Gentiles...

- *1 Pet. 2:13a – Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake **to every human institution...***
 - *1 Pet. 2:13b - ...whether **to a king as the one in authority...***
 - *1 Pet. 2:18 – Servants, be submissive **to your masters with all [fear]...***
 - *1 Pet. 3:1 – In the same way, you wives, be submissive **to your own husbands...***

I. The _____ to Suffer Injustice (vv19–20)

- Suffering patiently brings God’s pleasure with us.
- Our awareness of God means that when we suffer, we:
 1. Try to meet His expectations
 2. Try to be like Him
 3. Remember His promises that give us the hope we need to endure

*1 Pet. 2:17 – Honor all people, love the brotherhood, **fear God**, honor the king. ¹⁸Servants, be submissive to your masters **with all [fear]**...*

Our awareness of God and His pleasure for those who suffer well should _____ us to endure injustice of any kind.

- There is suffering that we bring on ourselves that does not bring pleasure from God.

We shouldn’t resent a just punishment, even if it comes from a _____ or evil source.

II. The _____ of Suffering Injustice (vv21–23)

- Jesus Christ experienced maximal injustice so He could be an example for us in our humanity.
- The way we're able to follow that example is by entrusting ourselves to the true Judge.

Rom. 12:19 – Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord.

When wronged, Christians should neither let their anger out in retaliation nor suppress it, but rather

to God and trust Him to work it out.

- One of the reasons God saved us is to imitate Christ in suffering patiently.

III. The _____ of Suffering Injustice (vv24–25)

- Christ's unjust suffering also accomplished our salvation for us (cf. Is. 53:4–12).
- Salvation through His suffering enabled us to 'die to sin and live to righteousness.'
- What was accomplished by Christ's suffering is what the world needs to see in us.

**Every time we can suffer injustice and trust God,
we bear witness to the _____
Christ offers and how He won it for us.**

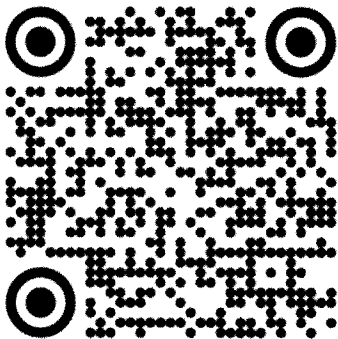
What do we do with this text?

- 1. Nothing we do on earth brings greater glory to God than when our faith stays strong when _____.**
- 2. God always sees our injustice and _____.**

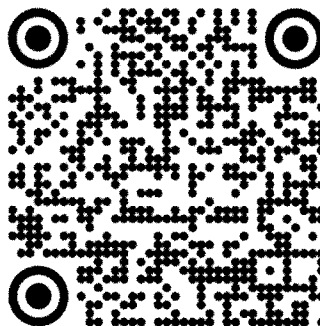
*Ps. 116:15 – Precious in the sight of the LORD
Is the death of His godly ones.*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. How have you experienced God's pleasure in your life?
2. How does your awareness of God affect the way you live?
3. What are some opportunities you have had to follow Christ's example in suffering unjustly with patience (whether you succeeded or not)?
4. How does our mission to represent Christ affect the way you view your own suffering?
5. What are some ways we can be reminded that God cares when we're in the midst of suffering?



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