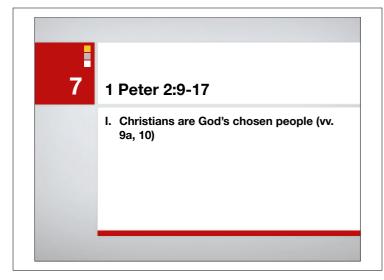


Theme

Because Christians are God's chosen people, we must proclaim His praises by submitting to government authority.



Exodus 19:5-6a
...if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine: And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation...

Deuteronomy 7:6
For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth.

Deuteronomy 7:7-8a

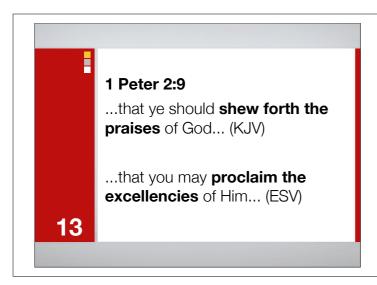
The LORD did not set His love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people: But because the LORD loved you, and because He would keep the oath which He had sworn unto your fathers...

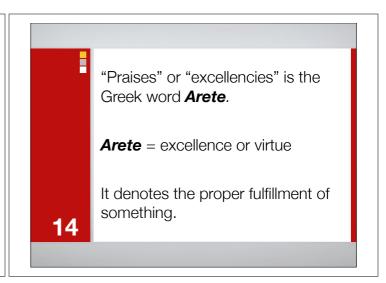


1 Peter 2:9-17

I. Christians are God's chosen people (vv. 9a, 10)

II. Christians must proclaim God's praises (vv. 9b, 12)





Christians are to show and proclaim the *Arete* (virtues/excellencies) of God.

Christians are to show and proclaim **CHRISTLIKENESS**.

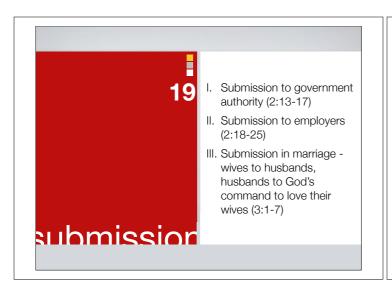
1 Peter 2:12
...they may by your good works
which they shall behold, glorify God
in the day of visitation.

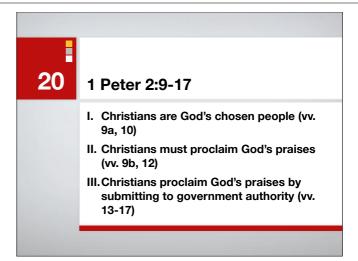
Day of visitation = initial
conversion of a believer



1 Peter 2:11

Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul.





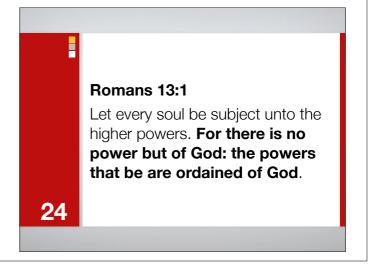
"Submit yourselves" is a military expression literally meaning to arrange in formation under the commander.

"every ordinance of man" = human institutions

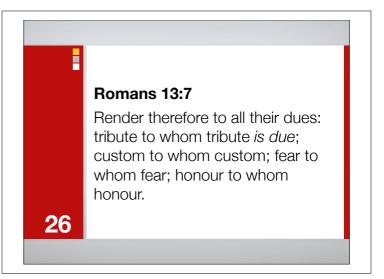
"king" = head of government

"governors" = lower level officials

1 Peter 2:14
... as unto [Government authorities] that are sent by Him for the punishment of evildoers, and for the praise of them that do well.

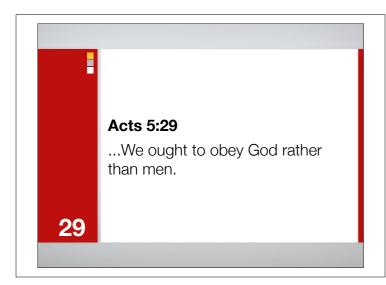




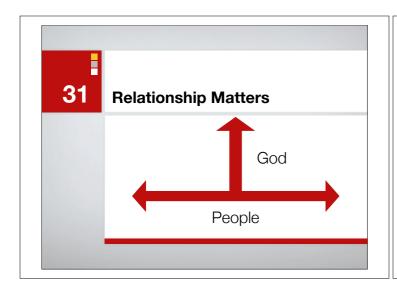


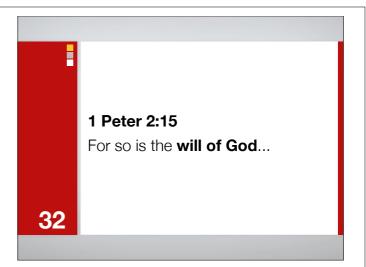


Acts 4:19-20
...Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.









1 Peter 2:15
For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men.

1 Peter 2:12
...they may by your good works
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1 Peter 2:17
Honour all men.
Love the brotherhood.
Fear God.
Honour the king.



