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HONOURING AUTHORITY

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- The Church should behave like family (vv.1-2)
- Family should provide for needy members (vv.3-8)
- The Church should provide for needy members (vv.9-16)
- The Church should honour its Pastors (vv.17-25)

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MATTHEW 24: 44-45

Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh. Who then is a faithful and wise **servant**, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?





EPHESIANS 6: 5,9

Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ;...

And, ye **masters**, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him.

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I PETER 2:9-3:7

- Theme

Because Christians are God's chosen people, we must proclaim His praises - by submission.

I PETER 2:9-3:7 (SUBMISSION)

- I. Submission to government authority (2:13-17)
- II. Submission to authority in the workplace (2:18-25)
- III. Submission in marriage - wives to husbands, husbands to God's command to love their wives (3:1-7)

I PETER 2:12

... Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, **which they shall behold**, glorify God in the day of visitation. ...

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i.e. because those who benefit from your service are beloved believers, serve them all the more!

REFUSAL TO SUBMIT IN BIBLICAL HISTORY: EXCEPTIONS

- Exodus 1 – midwives
- Daniel 3 – Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego
- Acts 4 – Peter & Apostles

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