

Sunday, May 16, 2021

"Built to Last"



"Don't Tread on Me"

1 Peter 2:13-25

What is your first response when you hear the word, "submission?"

In chapter 2, Peter again reminds us we are "aliens and strangers" and we are to "live good lives so people notice and glorify God" How have I seen that in my life? How have I seen it as I respond to authority figures in my life?

Read 2:13,14. Peter calls to submission to human authority to a people undergoing persecution. How would I respond hearing this word from God under those conditions? How do I respond under my conditions today?

Read and compare Romans 13:1, Titus 3:1,2; 1 Timothy 2:1,2. What are the consistent themes in this passages?

1 Timothy 2:2 calls for me to pray and give thanks for kings and those in authority. What do my prayers look like for these people?

One principle is that we submit and obey human authority until it contradicts God's authority in our lives. What examples can you give in your own life where you have had to make a choice?

Read vs. 16,17 again. How and to whom do I struggle to show honor and respect in the context of authority?

In the arena of authority, how would God use me to be an influence for good?

How can I best prepare my heart, attitudes and actions for persecution that will come?
