

**SILENCING THE CRITCS BY SUBMISSION
(1 Peter 2:11-25)**

**I. OUR SUFFERING NEEDS TO BE VIEWED IN RELATION TO GOD’S PLAN OF SALVATION FOR YOU
(1 Peter 1:1-12)**

**II. OUR SALVATION & PRESENT SUFFERING SHOULD RESULT IN PRACTICAL & PROGRESSIVE
SANCTIFICATION IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE (1:13-2:10)**

III. YOUR PRESENT SUFFERING AND TRAILS NEED TO BE RESPONDED TO WITH... 4 things

A. An ETERNAL PERSPECTIVE on life

B. An INTERNAL VICTORY by God’s grace

C. An EXTERNAL DISPLAY to the Lost of this victory

D. An APPROPRIATE SUBMISSION to CIVIL AUTHORITIES (2:13-17)

Some Initial Observations Concerning Submission

These instructions are written to _____ only (2:11)

These instructions address how to display “honorable conduct” toward the _____ in _____
_____, in the _____ environment, and in _____ (2:13-3:7)

These instructions are _____ & _____ ; they are not complex.

These instructions assume that believers are capable of _____ & _____ these
principles by God’s enablement.

These instructions utilize _____ as the prime example of fulfilling these principles (2:21-24)

1. The *command* here is to “_____ yourselves” (2:13a)

1 Peter 2:13, 18; 3:1, 5, 22; 5:5

2. The meaning of “submit” is to display an appropriate _____ and _____ which
_____ properly designated _____ and then _____.

- What must you remember in this?

How is the word “hupotasso” used in scripture?

Used of _____ submitting to Joseph & Mary (Luke 2:51)

Used of _____ submitting to the disciples (Luke 10:17)

Used of _____ submitting to the curse (Romans 8:20)

Used of individuals submitting to _____ authorities (Romans 13:1, 5)

Used of _____ submitting to one another (Ephesians 5:21)

Used of Christians submitting to _____ (James 4:7)

Used of _____ submitting to their own husbands (Ephesians 5:22; Titus 3:5)

Used of _____ submitting to their masters (Titus 3:9)

Used of _____ submitting to their elders (1 Peter 5:5)

3. The *manner* of submission is to be _____ (aorist tense) (2:13a)

4. The *mood* of submission (imperative) indicates this is _____ for every believer (plural) (2:13a)

5. The *focus* of submission involves “_____” including “the _____” and “_____” that may be over you.

- Now what does this command not stipulate?
 - the _____ of government it may be
 - the _____ of government it may be
 - whether the officials are _____ or not
 - whether the government officials gained power through a _____ or the _____.
- What are the primary functions of human government?

Romans 13:1-7; Titus 3:1-2

6. The *motives* for submission are first of all, for the _____; secondly it is to put to _____ the _____ of _____ men” (2:13-15)

- How is this accomplished?
- What do we need to note about the historical context of this?

7. The *mentality* of submission is not to be the cringing obedience of spineless weaklings, but rather as “_____” in Christ who see themselves as “_____”(2:16)

- How is this not to be abused?
- To whom is the believer’s first responsibility?
- How will this possibly limit your submission to government authorities?

Exodus 1; Daniel 1, 3, 6

- What about “*civil disobedience*”? Is there such a thing biblically today?
- Did Peter know about submitting first hand? Acts 4:13-19; Act 5:22-29
- What does all this mean to you?