



I Peter 2:13-21

¹³Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every authority instituted among men: whether to the king, as the supreme authority, ¹⁴or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right. ¹⁵For it is God's will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish men. ¹⁶Live as free men, but do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil; live as servants of God. ¹⁷Show proper respect to everyone: Love the brotherhood of believers, fear God, honor the king. ¹⁸Slaves, submit yourselves to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and considerate, but also to those who are harsh. ¹⁹For it is commendable if a man bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because he is conscious of God. ²⁰But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. ²¹To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.



SUBMITTING TO ONE ANOTHER

God has established systems of authority for our welfare.

Rom. 13:1-7

Submission: To wholeheartedly embrace the desires of a leader.

Submission is good because it:

1. Preserves order verse 14
2. Promotes productivity verse 14
3. Provides a good witness verse 15
4. Prevents unnecessary suffering verse 19 & 20
5. Promotes better health

Helps for heart change:

1. Keep our focus on the LORD. verse 13
2. Keep listening to the Holy Spirit. Romans 8:5-9
3. Keep a corporate mindset.

Two Kinds of Submission:

1. In the church, usually dynamic /mutual submission. Eph 5:21
2. In most other places - chain-of-command submission.

- To Whom?**
1. Government leaders verse 13 & 14
 2. Employees verse 18
 3. Parents Eph. 6:1
 4. Husbands Eph. 5:22