

1 PETER

Hope & Suffering

"Responding to Suffering, Part 4, Cont.;
Submission to Earthly Masters (Employers)"

INTRO: *Peter continues his exhortation for Christians to submit to God-ordained authorities even when they inflict unfair suffering.*

- I. Believers are exhorted to maintain *Christlike***
 _____ as a _____ before the
unbelieving world (2:11-12). *Because we maintain our
 primary citizenship in the heavenlies, we should behave differently.*

- II. _____ against God-ordained realms of
 authority sullies our Christian _____.** *Rebellion
 is especially tempting when masters treat their employees unfairly.*

- III. Because we will suffer unfair treatment until Jesus
 returns, _____ to God-ordained realms of
 _____ as His _____ (2:18-25).**
Submission in various realms will be discussed.
 - A. All submit to government.**
 - B. _____ submit to earthly _____ (employers).**
*This is the contemporary relationship closest to the first century
 institution of slavery.*
 1. _____.
 2. _____.
 3. _____.