

How To Live Our Lives In This World

Throughout our time on this earth, we run into countless trials and tribulations. At times, it seems like the only way to silence all the problems we have is just to give into them. That maybe if we just give in then everything will just slow down and all our problems will disappear. We all know that sown that path is a lake that burns with eternal flame, and none of us want to put our futures down that road. So how do we make the trails stop? How can we live that this life will become easier? Well, all the answers lie in one chapter: 1 Peter 2.

Peter starts off by telling us to fix ourselves first. But how do we do that? By becoming like *"newborn babes, desiring the pure milk of the word."* When we come to Jesus and are willing to do whatever He says, then all we have to do is listen to what He says. He knows what we need because He to was rejected by mankind. They persecuted Him and He was tempted at all points as we are (Heb. 4:15). They rejected Jesus and now He has become something greater. So when we become like Him we to become something greater. We become a chosen generation, a royal priesthood. So if we follow Christ, do we have to listen to man? The answer might surprise you. The answer is yes. We must put Christ first in our lives and then everything will fall into place. We still must submit to the governing authorities. We still have to obey our bosses, mothers, fathers, elders, and anyone else that has authority over us. We must follow Christ and his laws and then man's.

But why do we still have to obey men if they treat us so badly? Because when we serve men, we serve them like we are serving the Lord. We should also serve them without complaining. *"For what credit is it if, when you are beaten for your faults, you take it patiently? But when you do good and suffer, if you take it patiently, this is commendable before God"* (1 Peter 2: 20). Christ suffered and did not threaten one single person, but instead asked that His crucifixion not be charged to there account. Case and point, this life is going to be hard, but if we have our priorities in the right place, with God being number one, then everything else will fall into place.

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