

Living to Display God's Grace

1 Peter 2:13-3:12 Overview



1 Peter: Holy Living in a Hostile Land

Rebel: a person who refuses allegiance to, resists, or rises in arms against the government or ruler of his or her country. A person who resists any authority, control, or tradition.

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*Now the earth was corrupt in the sight of God, and the earth was filled with violence. God looked on the earth, and behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the earth.
(Genesis 6:11-12)*

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Violence: Hebrew word *hamas*; carries idea of destruction, especially acts of aggression involving physical contact

*Everyone who practices sin also practices lawlessness;
and sin is lawlessness. (1 John 3:4)*

The unbelieving mind is **not neutral**; it is **hostile** to God:

- Romans 8:7-8
- Colossians 1:21
- James 4:4

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- 2) Why is Peter calling us to submit and suffer?

... after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To Him be dominion forever and ever. Amen. (1 Peter 5:10-11)

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