

## ***Submission Stops Slander*** ***I Peter 2:11-17***

As we hit the heart of I Peter we move from salvation to submission with regards to the government, masters / bosses, and husbands. Each presents a challenge, but submission is the consistent answer.

### ***Subdue internal desires to stop slander (11,12).***

- \*Aliens (recall 1:1) and strangers is sure a contrast to 2:9,10!
- \*Personal piety is a priority. For *fleshly desires*--4:2,3, Gal. 5:16-21
- \*Vs. 12 actually begins "Having your conduct excellent / winsome. . ." so as to eventually stamp out slander (15—*may silence ignorance*)
- \*What was the slander thrown at them?

\*What is the *day of visitation*? See 3:16, 4:4, 5, Phil 2:10,11, Isa. 10:3.

### ***Submit to external authorities to stop slander (13-17).***

- \*What might be the temptation for believers to think in view of 2:9,10?
- \*Peter's gives plenty of reasons to submit to the government:

- \*Genuine freedom never means to do as you please but as you ought.
- \*Appropriate responses for all (17) necessitate honoring government.

- \*Note no exceptions here (as in Rom. 13:1-7); but that doesn't mean there are none, recall Midwives, Rahab, David, S,M,A, Daniel, Peter.
- \*Do we face slander today? How does it compare to back then?

- \*How submissive are we to governmental authority figures? Do we practice I Tim. 2:1-4 or rant and rave too much?