

The Christian and Their Work

1 Peter 2:18-25

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1 Peter 2:18 Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust.

1. Our godly conduct at work can be _____.

1 Peter 2:19 For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly.

2. God cares more about us growing in godliness than always getting _____.

1 Peter 2:20 For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God.

3. _____ the cause of your suffering at work.

1 Peter 2:21 For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. 22 He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. 23 When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. 24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. 25 For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

4. Jesus is the _____ of how to respond to evil against us.

5. The sovereignty of God can _____ us through injustice.

6. We don't just need an example; we need a _____!

7. _____ things can happen when we respond to ungodly treatment in a godly way.

[Verses related to the Christian and their Work: Eph. 6:5-8, Col. 3:22-25, 1 Tim. 6:1-2, Titus 2:9-10]

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Discussion Questions

1. What does this passage instruct employees/servants to do? What does that look like for you in your work situation?
2. How can we be praying for each other to endure things that are hard?
3. What are some examples today of people suffering for following Christ?
4. How can you resist the urge to get back at those who mistreat you?
5. What does "by his wounds you have been healed" mean in verse 24?