**Hills to Die On!**

**Date:** January 23rd, 2022  
**Text:** 1 Peter 2:13-17

**Passage Summary:** As believers living in the last days, it is essential that we have a growing understanding of not only the salvation God has provided in Christ, but the kind of conduct that is demanded of those who have received it!

**80 Degree Truth #1:** See that conduct becoming those who have received the gift of salvation has a lot to do with the concept of submission! (2:13-17)

**Application:** Recognize that when it comes to submission, it involves...

- A ________________ of God’s ________________! (v.13-14)

“Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves.”

_Romans 13:1-2_

**Remember:** When it comes to submission, it involves obeying our governing authorities; to be sure, not every hill is a hill to die on, but nay God give His church courageous ________________ to __________ he ones that are!

- A ________________ that is above ________________! (v.15)

“Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.”

_1 Peter 2:12_

**Remember:** When it comes to a witness that is above reproach, a non-believing world is looking for any reason to ________________ Christ and the Christian faith; God’s will is that we would live our lives in such a way that they would have ________________ to say!

- The ________________ of a ________________! (v.16-17)

**Doulos: A bondslave**

One who is devoted to another to the disregard of his own interests; one who gives himself up to another’s will; one whose service is used by Christ in extending and advancing His cause among men.

**Remember:** When it comes to the heart of a servant, the Biblical concept of submission is ultimately for the Lord’s ________________, and always toward the ultimate end that those who govern us would be ____________!

“Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is.”

_Ephesians 5:15-17_

**Core Conviction to Live By:** Resolutely determine as a saint living in the last days, standing at the threshold of more and more of Acts 4 and Acts 5 crossroads, that through the enabling of God and the example of Jesus, you will have the courage and conviction to “Give to ________________ what is Caesar’s, and to _______ what is God’s”! (Matthew 22:21)

“Then they called them in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John replied, ‘Judge for yourselves whether it is right in God’s sight to obey you rather than God. For we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.’”

_Acts 4:18-20_

“Peter and the other apostles replied: ‘We must obey God rather than men!’”

_Acts 5:29_