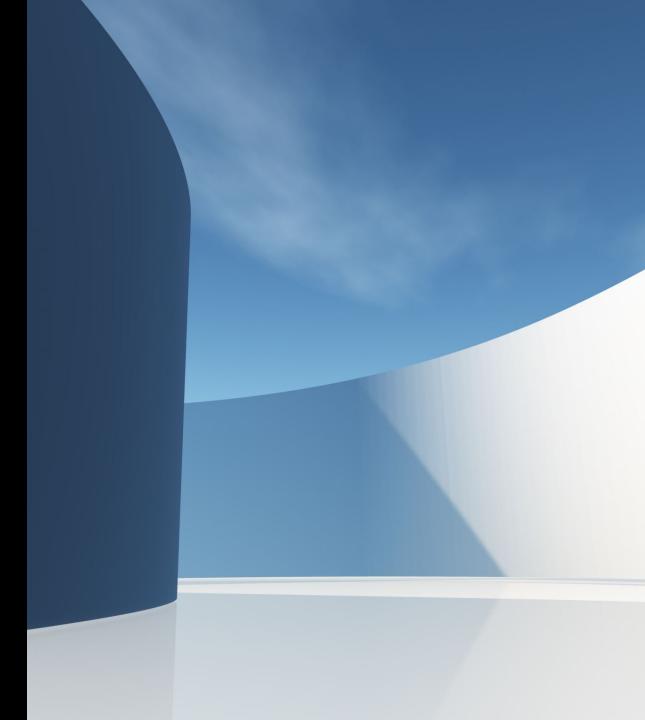


Their Due

1 Peter 2:17





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Introduction

<u>QUESTION</u>: What Does it Mean "Giving One What is Due?"

ANSWERS:

Settling-Up with Someone?

Getting Justice for What One is Owed?

Giving Someone Appropriate Praise?

Giving Someone Proper Credit?

Giving Someone their Deserved Reward?

Background of Second Peter

Audience of the book:Christians scattered among 5 provincesof Asia Minor.

Purpose of the book:

To remind Christians that they were once "not a people" but now are the people of God (2:10).

Goal of the book:

To strengthen and encourage them in their trials.

<u>Honor all men.</u>

To "honor" is to: 1) make precious and 2) to equate of value

Specific Bible commands honor to: Parents Exodus 20:12 Spouse 1 Peter 3:7

Older Leviticus 19:32 Church Leaders Hebrews 13:17

Acts 10:34- God respects all people. Romans 10:12-13

2 Peter 3:9- In God's eyes, there are no "worthless" souls.

1 Timothy 2:4- "All men to be saved.." "<u>come to know the truth</u>"

Love the brotherhood.

<u>Agape</u> seeks the well-being of others. It is continuous and working love. Christ challenged Peter with it twice (John 21:15-16).

<u>Brotherhood</u> is common family of God. His church shares a common interest and goal.

1 Corinthians 13:4-5, Does our love take on these qualities?

Romans 12:9-10; 1 John 3:14 Bible love must be sincere/genuine.

John 13:34-35 shows us how to follow Christ's example and <u>WHY.</u>

Fear God.

To "fear God" is to show a 1) holy and 2) reverent attitude and conduct. Albert Barnes, "Fear is one of the first duties of man."

Ecclesiastes 12: 13-14- We must keep His commandments.

Proverbs 23:17- "... be thou in the fear of the Lord all the day long."

Deuteronomy 5:29; God promised Moses 6:29

Psalms 25:14- friendship with God

Honor the king.

To "honor" is to: "highly esteem" individuals.

This principle applies to public servants, given authority to administer the laws of the land.

John 19:10-11- Civil government is ordained/maintained by God

Romans 13:1-7- "Christians are not to incite rebellion against the government." Adam Clarke

Acts 5:29 – When government conflicts with God's law, we must choose God's ways.

Conclusion

Revelation 14:7 "Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him;..."

Hebrews 10:31 "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God."

INVITATION

Becoming a Child of God

Hear the Word

Believe the Word

Repent of Sinful Life

Confess Christ To Others

Be Baptized

Return as a Child of God

Repent of Sinful Life

Confess Sins to God

Pray for God's Forgiveness