

# Abstain from Fleshly Lusts

## 1 Peter 02: 11-12

**1 Reason 1:**  
*You are aliens  
and strangers on earth*

**2 Reason 2:**  
*Evil desires, lusts  
war against your soul*

**3 Reason 3:**  
*Unbelievers are watching*

- a. They speak against you
  - b. They can experience the “day of visitation” through your testimony
- 1) By your good works
  - 2) Will glorify God

11 Dear friends,  
I urge you,  
as aliens and strangers in the world,  
to abstain from sinful desires,  
which war against your soul.

12 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.

# Submit to the State

## 1 Peter 02:13–17

### **1 *Submit to national and local officials***

- a. Because they are sent by God
- b. Because they execute justice for God
- c. Because good behaviour silences the critics of Christ

### **2 *Live as free citizens, yet as servants of God***

- a. Respect everyone
- b. Love the brotherhood
- c. Reverence God
- d. Honour the king

13 Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every authority instituted among men: whether to the king, as the supreme authority,

14 Or to governors, who are sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to commend those who do right.

15 For it is God's will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish men.

16 Live as free men, but do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil; live as servants of God.

17 Show proper respect to everyone: Love the brotherhood of believers, fear God, honour the king.