

# SCRIPTURE READING

## 1 PETER 5

5 Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to [your] elders.

Yes, all of [you] be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

6 Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,

7 casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

# SUBMIT TO GOD



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# 4 ASPECTS OF SUBMISSION

**1. DIVINE** - James 4:6-7

**2. FAMILY** - Ephesians 5:21-22

**3. CHURCH** - 1 PETER 5:5

**4. SOCIAL** - Ephesians 6:5

# I. UNDERSTANDING SUBMISSION

## A. Biblical Definition of Submission

- Greek: The word "submit" (ὑποτάσσω, **hypotassō**) means "to place oneself under authority," voluntarily yielding one's own will to the governance of another.
- JOHN 10:17-18 17 "Therefore My Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it again. 18 "No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This command I have received from My Father."

# II. THE NECESSITY OF SUBMISSION

## A. Submission as the Gateway to Authority

- Submission aligns us with God's order, providing spiritual authority

## B. Submission as Protection

- Submission is an act of humility which protects us from spiritual

## C. Submission as Obedience to God's Word

- God's commandments require our submission;

# III. PRACTICAL STEPS TO SUBMIT TO GOD

## A. Surrender Your Will

- “Lord, not my will, but Yours be done” (Luke 22:42).

## B. Cultivate Humility

## C. Obey God’s Word Consistently

Submission involves daily, practical

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# IV. THE POWER AND VICTORY OF SUBMISSION

## A. Submission Enables Victory Over the Enemy

- James 4:7 states clearly: submission precedes resisting the devil.
- Without submission, attempts at resisting temptation fail;

## B. Submission Invites God's Presence and Blessing

- Submission aligns us with God's will.

## C. Submission Produces Lasting Fruitfulness

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