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Speaker-AM: Josh Vinyard

Title: Impurity And Sensuality

Recording:



Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Galatians 5:19-21

Speaker-PM: Steve Helterbrand

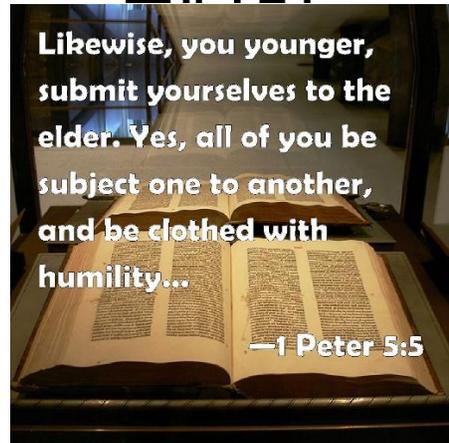
Title: Submission

Recording:



Likewise, you younger, submit yourselves to the elder. Yes, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility...

—1 Peter 5:5



Article

Frustrated with God 3/20/2026 by Zeke Flores

"Then Moses returned to Yahweh and said, 'O Yahweh, why have You brought harm to this people? Why did You ever send me? Ever since I came to Pharaoh to speak in Your name, he has done harm to this people, and You have not rescued Your people at all'" (Exodus 5:22-23).

Moses does something we're often afraid to do: he tells God exactly how frustrated he is. He doesn't sugarcoat it. He doesn't pretend everything is fine. He brings the raw, honest version of himself to God. And God doesn't rebuke him for it.

Sometimes obedience makes things look worse before they get better. Moses did exactly what God told him to do, and the situation looked like it was falling apart. That's a tough place to be. It's easy to assume you misheard God or that He's not paying attention. But this moment shows that confusion and faith can exist in the same heart. God can handle your questions. He can handle your disappointment. What He wants is your honesty.

If you're in a circumstance where obedience hasn't produced the results you expected, don't hide your frustration from God. Bring it to Him. He already knows. And like Moses, you may discover that God is working on a timeline bigger than what you can see right now.

Entangled 3/19/2026 by Terry Wane Benton

People with the word of the kingdom of Christ in their hearts do not need to get too entangled in the cares of this world.

"Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful. But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty" ([Matthew 13:22-24 NKJV](#)).

Did you notice how *"the cares of this world"* can choke the word out of its rightful place in your heart? Our concern for our country is legitimate, but does it consume us? Or, is Jesus preeminent in our thoughts? Is our concern for His church or kingdom much greater than our concern for this temporal land and institutions? It needs to be first ([Matthew 6:33](#)). This country is best helped when we can show the benefit of knowing Jesus. All else is "rubbish" ([Philippians 3:8ff](#)). We do not need to let the cares of this world choke out the preeminence of our King. The Prince of Peace within us should be far greater than our fears and worries concerning anything else. Let the peace of God rule in your hearts! ([Colossians 3:15](#)). Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly ([Colossians 3:16](#)) to the point that it has you singing above the cares of this world ([Acts 16:25](#)). In that way, our light can penetrate the darkness in our country.