

Dealing with an Unjust Boss

1 Peter 2:18-25

Context - Peter is applying the Gospel to specific situations in life. Today, he is applying the Gospel to service towards an unjust boss.

As you endure suffering under an unjust boss...

1. _____ genuine respect (vs. 18)

Respect is defined as 'a healthy desire to avoid their displeasure'

The Word unjust here comes from the greek word Scolios - meaning Crooked and cruel.

2. _____ good work, mindful of God (vs. 19-20)

This kind of endurance is something only made possible by being 'conscious of God' (v. 19 niv) and continually trusting him to care for those rights which have been trampled underfoot by others.

3. _____ the Example of Jesus (vs. 21-25)

The New Testament elsewhere affirms that Christians can expect to be treated unjustly (1 Pet. 5:9; John 15:18–20; 16:33; Acts 14:22; 1 Thess. 3:3; 2 Tim. 3:12; cf. Ps. 34:19). But why are we called to suffer? Because such suffering was part of the life of Christ, which we have been called to imitate.

4. _____ yourself to the one who judges justly (23-35)

Rather than depending on his own abilities to retaliate (which were far greater than the powers of his opponents), when Jesus was suffering he kept entrusting the situation to God the Father, knowing that God would be just and fair, for he is the one *who judges justly*.