

**For God's Sake
Dawn Is Coming – Part 6
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1 Peter 2:13a (NIV) *“Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake to every human authority:”*

Dealing With Authority

- 1. The problem: All of us face issues with authority when we're not in charge.**
- 2. The posture: God is calling you to submit.**

hupotasso: Submit means to arrange yourself under.

You can be right but still do wrong.

1 Peter 2:20 (NIV) *“But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God.”*

1 Peter 2:13-14 (NIV) *“Submit yourselves for the Lord’s sake to every human authority: whether to the emperor, 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.”*

1 Peter 2:17 (NIV) *“Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honor the emperor.”*

1 Peter 2:17 (NASB) *“Honor all people, love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king.”*

You can't spell authority without author.

Romans 13:1 (NIV) *“Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.”*

Rebellion leads to the opposite of freedom.

1 Peter 2:16 (NIV) *“Live as free people, but do not use your freedom as a cover-up for evil; live as God’s slaves.”*

It is submission that leads to freedom.

It is submission that leads to us being free.

1 Peter 5:5 (NIV) *“In the same way, you who are younger, **submit** yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves*

with humility toward one another, because, 'God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.'"

Proverbs 3:34 (NIV) *"He mocks proud mockers but shows favor to the humble and oppressed."*

3. The promises: Results of submission.

- **You honor God.**

1 Peter 2:15 (NIV) *"For it is God's will that by doing good you should silence the ignorant talk of foolish people."*

1 Peter 2:20 (NIV) *"But how is it to your credit if you receive a beating for doing wrong and endure it? But if you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God."*

- **You impact other people positively.**

Genesis 41:39-40 (NIV) *"Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, 'Since God has made all this known to you, there is no one so discerning and wise as you. ⁴⁰ You shall be in charge of my palace, and all my people are to **submit** to your orders. Only with respect to the throne will I be greater than you.'"*

God is good at running the universe.

- **You develop your character.**

**You never grow in times where there is no struggle.
It is that struggle that releases your strength.**

**God is developing us into who we are
meant to be through His authority.**

**You will never be over what He wants under you
until you learn to come under what He's put over you.**

God already knows what you need to know.

1 Peter 2:21 (NIV) *"To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in His steps."*

4. The power: It comes from the cross and resurrection.

1 Peter 2:24 (NIV) *"'He Himself bore our sins' in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; 'by His wounds you have been healed.'"*