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¹⁸ Slaves, in reverent fear of God submit yourselves to your masters, not only to those who are good and considerate, but also to those who are harsh. ¹⁹ For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God. ²⁰ 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. ²¹ To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

²² “He committed no sin,
and no deceit was found in his mouth.”

²³ When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he entrusted himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴ “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.” ²⁵ For “you were like sheep going astray,” but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

QUESTIONS

1. Read 1 Peter 2:19.
What is the primary motivation for submission? What does the phrase “conscious of God” mean to you?

2. Read 1 Peter 2:21-24.
Discuss the example Jesus left for us. How did he suffer and how did he act when suffering unjustly? In what way can you follow Jesus’ example when you suffer through something that you view as unfair?

3. What some challenges you have experienced with expressing and living out your faith in the workplace/school?

4. Share with your CG, your takeaways from today's sermon that God had impressed upon your heart.