SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

THEME:

YOURSELVES BEFORE THE HIGHER AUTHORITIES

(ROM.13:1-7: 1 TIM. 2:1-8: 1 PET. 2:13-18)

TOPIC:

SUBMITTING YOURSELVES TO ONE ANOTHER IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD (EPH. 5:21)

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INTRODUCTION

A. THE STARTLING STATEMENTS OF OUR STUDY

- 1. Submission Is A Voluntary Placement Of Oneself Under The Authority, Dominion, Leadership And Lordship Of One Another As Commanded By God.
- 2. Submission Is Taught In The Context And Content Of Various Relationships Between God And Man And Between Man And Man.
- 3. In Divinely And Uniquely Ordained Relationships, Submission Enables A Unique, Mutual, Cordial, Christian Harmonious And Peaceful Co-Existence Based On God's Patterns, Plans, Purposes, Principles, Procedures, Designs, Methods And Models.
- 4. There Are Seven-Fold Of Submissions In Relationships Namely:
 - a. God-Head Submission Relationships.
 - **b.** Christ And His Church Submission Relationships.
 - c. Husband And Wives Submission Relationships.
 - d. Civil Governments And Subjects Submission Relationships.
 - e. Parents And Children Submission Relationships.
 - **f.** Masters And Servants Submission Relationships.
 - **g.** Other Submission Relationships Structured By God In The Bible Outside The Above Submission Relationships According To His Creation Order In Gen. 1:1-28; 1 Cor. 11:1-16; 1 Tim. 1-8; 2 Pet. 2:13-18.
- 5. Submission Is Not Obedience In Relationship. Obedience Is Optional, But Submission Is Directional Or Instructional, There Is No Alternative To Submission.
- 6. Brethren, We Are Commanded To Submit, Humble, Respect, Regard And Honor Ourselves In The Fear Of The Lord (Eph. 5:21).
- 7. Not Just To One Another But Also To God Almighty And Those In The Higher Authority (Rom. 13:1-7; 1 Tim. 2:1-8).
- 8. Husbands And Wives Are Equally Told To Submit, Humble, Respect, Regard Each Other In The Lord (Eph. 5:21-22).
- 9. Children Are Also To Submit, Humble, Respect, Regard And Honor Their Parents In The Lord And Vice-Versa; In The Fear Of The Lord (Eph. 6:1-4).
- 10. The Masters And Servants Are Not Left Out Of These Commandments From God Almighty (Col. 3:18-4:1).
- 11. Submission Is Commanded Not Demanded; But Earned
- 12. This Aspect Will Be Discussed In Details During The Course Of Our Study.

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B. THE AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF OUR STUDY

- 1. To Do A Brief Bible Reading And Its Contextual Analysis.
- 2. To Define The Word Submission And Thereafter Show The What, Why And How Of Submission.
- 3. To Point Out That Submission Is A Command By God Almighty And To All Humanity.
- 4. To Equally Show That Submission Is Not The Same With Obedience Biblically.
- 5. To Pint Out How Christians Are To Submit To The Godhead.
- 6. To Also Show How Christians Are To Submit To The Higher Authority In The Fear Of The Lord.
- 7. Finally, To Advise All Christians To Equally Submit, Humble And Honor Themselves Before Each Other.

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PRESENTATION

A. A BRIEF BIBLE READING AND ITS CONTEXTUAL ANALYSIS

- 1. Rom. 13:1-7
- 2. 1 Cor. 11:1-16
- 3. Eph. 5:21-32
- 4. Eph. 6:6:1-9
- 5. Col. 3:18-\$:1
- 6. 1 Thess. 5:12-4
- 7. 1 Tim. 2:1-8
- 8. 1 Tim. 5:17-21
- 9. Titus 2:1-15
- 10. Heb. 13: 7, 17, 24-25
- 11. 1 Pet. 2:13-18
- 12. 1 Pet. 3:1-12

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B. THE WHAT, WHY AND HOW OF SUBMISSION? (1 PET. 3:7; 1 PET 2:11-25)

1. What Is Submission?

- a. Submission Is Subjection.
- b. Submission Is Obligation.
- c. Submission Is Consideration.
- d. Submission Is Dedication.
- e. Submission Is Devotion.
- f. Submission Is Cooperation.
- g. Submission Is Ordination.
- h. Submission Is Instruction.
- i. Submission Is Direction.
- j. Submission Is Commitment.
- k. Submission Is Reciprocal.
- 1. Submission Is A Privilege.
- m. Submission Is An Opportunity.n. Submission Is An Ornament Of Purity.
- o. Submission Is An Ornament Of Chasity.
- p. Submission Is Friendship.
- q. Submission Is Fellowship.
- r. Submission Is Relationship.
- s. Submission Is Partnership.
- t. Submission Is Companionship.
- u. Submission Is Workmanship.
- v. Submission Is About Esteeming Each Other.
- w. Submission Is About Respecting Each Other.
- x. Submission Is About Regarding Each Other.
- y. Submission Is About Honoring Each Other.
- z. Submission Is About Honoring The Godhead.
- aa. Submission Is About Voluntary Service To Each Other.
- bb. Submission Is About Voluntary Sacrifice Each Other.
- cc. Submission Is About Give And Take To Each Other.

- dd. Submission Is About Having Harmonious Co-Existence With Each Other.
- ee. Submission Is About Having Peaceful Co-Existence With Each Other.

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2. What Submission Is Not:

- a. Submission Is Not Slavery.
- b. Submission Is Not Captivity.
- c. Submission Is Not Bondage.
- d. Submission Is Not Foolishness.
- e. Submission Is Not Fearfulness.
- f. Submission Is Not Stupidity.
- g. Submission Is Not Timidity.
- h. Submission Is Not Denial Of Privilege.
- i. Submission Is Not Denial Of Personal Rights.
- j. Submission Is Not Forceful But Peaceful.
- k. Submission Is Not By Command.
- 1. Submission Is Not Do And Die Affairs.
- m. Submission Is Not Domination
- n. Submission Is Not By Command.
- o. Submission Is Not Demanded But Earned.
- p. Submission Is Not Dictatorship.
- q. Submission Is Not Lordship Or Authoritative.

3. Why Do Christians Submit?

- a. Submission For The Sake Of The Lost.
- b. Submission For The Sake Of The Lord.
- c. Submission For The Sake Of The Love.
- d. Submission For The Sake Of Our Own.
- e. Submission For The Sake Of Others.
- f. Submission For The Sake Of God's Command.
- g. Submission For The Sake Of God's Authority.
- h. Submission For The Sake Of The Angels.
- i. Submission For The Sake Of God's Instruction.
- j. Submission For The Sake Of God's Direction.
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- 1. Submission For The Sake Of Consideration.
- m. Submission For The Sake Of Devotion.
- n. Submission For The Sake Of Cooperation.
- o. Submission For The Sake Of God's Ordination.
- p. Submission For The Sake Of Togetherness With Each Other.
- q. Submission For The Sake Of Oneness With Each Other.
- r. Submission For The Sake Of Singleness Of Mind With Each Other.
- s. Submission For The Sake Of Lowliness To Each Other.
- t. Submission For The Sake Of Meekness To Each Other.
- u. Submission For The Sake Of Gentleness To Each Other.
- v. Submission For The Sake Of Humbleness To Each Other.
- w. Submission For The Sake Of Respecting Each Other.
- x. Submission For The Sake Of Regarding Each Other.
- y. Submission For The Sake Of Esteeming Each Other.
- z. Submission For The Sake Of Conscience.

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- ee. Submission For The Sake Of Unity.
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C. MEMBERS SUBMITTING, HUMBLING AND HONORING YOURSELVES BEFORE THE GODHEAD

- 1. Gen. 1:1-28
- 2. John 1:1-4
- 3. John 14:1-17:26
- 4. Phil. 2:1-11

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1. Eph. 1:21-23

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- 3. Col. 1:13-18

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- 1. Rom. 13:1-7
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- 1. Eph. 5:21-33
- 2. Col. 3:18-20
- 3. 1 Pet. 3:1-12

<u>Special Note: However, Husbands, Note That Our Wives Are Not Our Slaves, House Helps, Housemaids, Housemates, Housewives, But They Are Our Helpmeets Or Companions To Their Husbands.</u>

H. CHILDREN SUBMITTING, HUMBLING AND HONORING YOUR PARENTS AND IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD

- 1. Eph. 6:1-4
- 2. Col. 3:18-4:1
- 3. Deut. 20:1-20

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May The Good Lord Helps Us To Submit To Each Other In All Things In The Fear Of The Lord In Jesus Precious, Gracious, Marvelous, Wondrous And Victorious Name, Amen.

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