# **♦**SERMON NOTES **♦**

Sunday, April 15, 2012

# "CHRISTIAN INTEGRITY"

(1 Peter 2:11-25)

Does your Christian life demonstrate integrity? Is your declared relationship to Jesus Christ clearly reflected to others by the life you live day to day? This morning we will discover three key measures of a believer's integrity.

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"Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God" (1 Peter 2:16, ESV).

"For such is the will of God that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men" (1 Peter 2:15, NASB).

### 2. Integrity - Authority.

"Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether to a king as the one in authority, or to governors as sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and the praise of those who do right" (1 Peter 2:13-14, NASB).

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

#### Show respect for everybody.

### Love Christians everywhere.

"By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another" (John 13:35, NIV).

#### Fear God and honor the government.

"Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's" (Matthew 22:21, NASB).

"Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and gentle, but also to those who are unreasonable. For this finds favor, if for the sake of conscience toward God a person bears up under sorrows when suffering unjustly" (1 Peter 2:18-19, NASB).

### 3. Integrity – <u>Suffering</u>.

"For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps" (1 Peter 2:21, NASB).

"Who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth; and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting Himself to Him who judges righteously" (1 Peter 2:22-23, NASB).

"Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord" (Romans 12:19, ESV).

"You are the salt of the earth...You are the light of the world...Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:13, 14, 16, NASB).