

STRANGERS IN A STRANGE LAND

Strange Loyalty

1 Peter 2:11-25

God's love for us forms the bond of loyalty.

General Principles:

Avoid soul defeating desires.

Embrace a visible Godly lifestyle.

Specific Situations:

Loyalty to Government:

Loyalty to employers:

My Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

1. Make a list of the things you are truly loyal to. Why do you have this loyalty to each of them? Why should we consider God our highest loyalty and good?
2. We are called to be salt and light in our community. (Matthew 5:13-16) In what ways would the church be considered good by the world? How do non-believers experience the goodness of Jesus in you?
3. Since the government is secular and run by people, how can Christians obey Peter's challenge to submit? (See Romans 13:1-7; 1 Peter 2:13-17)
4. Have you ever had a really bad boss or work environment? How could responding like Jesus did make an impact in the workplace? (See 1 Peter 2:18-25)

Memory Verse

"Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they may accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us."

1 Peter 2:12