

COMMITMENT

Reading of God's Holy Word

1 Corinthians 6:1; 1 Peter 2: 18-25

¹ When one of you has a grievance against another, does he dare go to law before the unrighteous instead of the saints?

¹⁸ Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust. ¹⁹ For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. ²⁰ For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. ²¹ For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. ²² He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. ²³ When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. ²⁴ He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Grace for Grievances, part 1

- I. Grievances of the Various Kinds
 - Grievances because of Status
 - Grievances because of Personal Fault
 - Grievances because of Personal Integrity

- II. Grievances within the Corinthian Context
 - Grievances within the church – Christian vs Christian
 - Grievances over money – defrauding
 - Grievances without recourse

- III. Model of Grace – Jesus, the Righteous Sufferer
 - Jesus, the Model of Integrity – no fault, no retaliation
 - Jesus, the Model of Faith