## 1Peter 2:15-29 Honor All Men

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### Introduction

ToDo: Maybe add some more comments other than the questions below that I raised.

# 1Pe 2:15-19

<sup>15</sup> For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men:<sup>A</sup> <sup>16</sup> As free,<sup>B</sup> and not using *your* liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. <sup>17</sup> Honour <sup>G5091</sup> all *men.* Love <sup>G25</sup> the brotherhood <sup>G81</sup>. Fear God <sup>G5399</sup>. Honour <sup>G5091</sup> the king <sup>G935</sup>. <sup>18</sup> Servants, *be* subject to *your* masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the forward (unjust).<sup>C</sup> <sup>19</sup> For this *is* thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully.

#### 1Pe 2:17

Q. All men? Doesn't this include the Edomites?

Q. Honour the King, even if the King is an Edomite?

A. Yes and Yes. My advice., limit your exposure to these people and to those you must interact, pick those who are the most at being God Fearers.

Q. Were they not put there by Elohim? A. Yes, and a reasonable explanation is that 1) the public needs to be governed and 2) YHVH will use the Edomites et al. to correct and, if necessary, chastise Israel.

Q. How are all men to be honored? A. one way that makes sense to me is to honor everyman's right to contract, even if they don't take their contract with YHVH seriously. The Edomites can offer me what I would consider a bad deal, but that doesn't mean I have to take the deal. And it also doesn't mean I should dismiss their right to make a contract (of which soliciting offers is one of them).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup> A foolish and ignorant man is anyone who does not fear YHVH and do what he requires of us.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>B</sup> The truthfulness of where freedom comes is precisely because we are bond servants of YHVH. If we therefore use our freedom for "maliciousness" as a cloche by not doing the will of our master we are misusing our freedom. This is about attitude, Balaam understood how to be a prophet of God, but he was in it, first and foremost, for himself.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>C</sup> My advice, if you can avoid it, do not put yourself under a master (at least not an earthly master)...keep your sovereignty.