

"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." James 4:7 KJV



Submitting places one under another's control; from Latin; *submittere*; *sub* meaning *under*, and *mittere*; meaning *let* or *send* as in mission; voluntarily *under mission*. How does one submit to God? *"In the beginning was the Word...and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of Grace and Truth. For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have Everlasting Life. Jesus saith unto him, 'I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.'*" We *"submit"* to God by voluntarily placing ourselves *under mission* to God's Word; speaking, and doing Truth. Jesus prayed, *"Sanctify (separate and purify) them through Thy Truth: Thy Word is Truth."* We have not submitted to God until God's Word IS our *mission*. We cannot expect Satan to flee unless we walk in lock step with God's Word. Satan does not fear us, but he trembles in the presence of JEHOVAH! Draw near to God's Word through thought, word, and deed, and you draw near to God! Satan uses man in a guerrilla warfare against God. He doesn't risk his own neck; he risks yours through enticing you to disobey God's Word; knowing *"the wages of sin is death,"* and God will separate Himself from you. He drives men from God with their own lusts, because *"God so loved the world."* He can't defeat God, so he uses God's own Word to destroy those God loves! If you disobey God's Word for some sinful desire, you can bet Satan is behind it. He offers pleasure now, so you get eternal torment later. You get so addicted to pleasure you ignore the Truth! To what do you *submit*? What is your *mission*; Sin or Truth? The body requires maintenance and it begins as soon as we awake and begin to think. We continue indulging the body the rest of the day, thereby disobeying God's Word; *"meditate therein day and night."* What is your first thought each today? What was it today? Is God in your thoughts or does lust control them? To whom do YOU submit? *"Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?"* You either obey YOU, or you obey God! You can go east OR west, but not both!

Submit to God, live free from sin,
Allow the Spirit's rule within,
Yield not to lust with evil men,
And you'll have pleasures without end. ~CGP

Satan will destroy you with pleasure if you yield to the sinful lusts of the flesh. *"For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly (lust); whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things."* Sometimes it's the time you choose to do something. Yelling "Fire!" has a right time attached to it. There's eating too little and there's eating too much. Let Truth guide you and *"submit yourselves therefore to God."* Our *mission* is to place our lives under the protection of Truth by trusting and obeying God's Word!

"Jesus answered them, 'Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever. If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.'" John 8:34-36 KJV