

Live at Peace with Others

1 Peter 03:08–09

1 *Live in harmony*

2 *Be sympathetic*

3 *Have brotherly love*

4 *Be compassionate*

5 *Be humble*

6 *Do not retaliate,
but bless those who do evil
against you*

a. Do not react

b. Bless, that is, forgive

c. You shall be rewarded

8 Finally,
all of you,
live in harmony with one another;
be sympathetic,
love as brothers,
be compassionate
and humble.

9 Do not repay evil with evil
or insult with insult,
but with blessing,
because to this you were called
so that you may inherit a blessing.

Love and Enjoy Life

1 Peter 03:10–12

1 *Step 1:
Stop your tongue*

a. From speaking evil

b. From speaking deceitfully

2 *Step 2:
Turn away from evil and do good*

3 *Step 3:
Seek peace and pursue it*

4 *Step 4:
Remember the source of life,
the Lord Himself*

a. He sees and hears the righteous

b. He is against evildoers

10 For,
“Whoever would love life
and see good days
must keep his tongue from evil
and his lips from deceitful speech.

11 He must turn from evil
and do good;
he must seek peace
and pursue it.

12 For the eyes of the Lord
are on the righteous
and his ears are attentive to their prayer,
but the face of the Lord
is against those who do evil.”

Stand Up For Christ: Suffer for Righteousness' Sake

1 Peter 03:13–17

1 First,
do what is right and good

- a. Will most likely
not be persecuted
- b. Will be blessed
- c. Do not fear the terror
of persecution

2 Second,
*set your heart on Christ
and the great hope He gives*

3 Third,
*readily answer and defend
the hope of salvation*

4 Fourth,
keep a clear conscience

- a. Will put one's persecutors
to shame
- b. Suffer for doing good
and not for evil

13 Who is going to harm you
if you are eager to do good?

14 But even if you should suffer for what is right,
you are blessed.
“Do not fear what they fear;
do not be frightened.”

15 But in your hearts
set apart Christ as Lord.
Always be prepared to give an answer to
everyone
who asks you to give the reason
for the hope that you have.
But do this with gentleness and respect,

16 Keeping a clear conscience,
so that those who speak maliciously
against your good behaviour in Christ
may be ashamed of their slander.

17 It is better,
if it is God's will,
to suffer for doing good
than for doing evil.