

The Ready Answer

1 Peter 3:8-17

**Holy Lives. Humble Words.
Fearless Hope.**



Gospel-Shaped Relationships

8 To sum up, all of you be harmonious, sympathetic, loving, compassionate, and humble;

1 Peter 3:8 (NASB)



Blessing Instead of Striking Back

9 not returning evil for evil or insult for insult, but giving a blessing instead; for you were called for the very purpose that you would inherit a blessing.

1 Peter 3:9 (NASB)



The Mouth Matters

10 For,

**“THE ONE WHO DESIRES LIFE, TO
LOVE AND SEE GOOD DAYS,
MUST KEEP HIS TONGUE FROM EVIL
AND HIS LIPS FROM SPEAKING
DECEIT.**

1 Peter 3:10 (NASB)



Pursue Peace

**11 HE MUST TURN AWAY FROM
EVIL AND DO GOOD;
HE MUST SEEK PEACE AND PURSUE
IT.**

1 Peter 3:11 (NASB)



The Lord Sees

**12 FOR THE EYES OF THE LORD ARE
TOWARD THE RIGHTEOUS,
AND HIS EARS ATTEND TO THEIR
PRAYER,
BUT THE FACE OF THE LORD IS
AGAINST EVILDOERS.”**

1 Peter 3:12 (NASB)



Blessed for Doing Right

13 And who is there to harm you if you prove zealous for what is good?

14 But even if you should suffer for the sake of righteousness, you are blessed. AND DO NOT FEAR THEIR INTIMIDATION, AND DO NOT BE IN DREAD,

1 Peter 3:13-14 (NASB)



Christ as Lord

**15 but sanctify Christ as Lord in
your hearts,**

1 Peter 3:15a (NASB)



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always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, but with gentleness and respect; 16 and keep a good conscience so that in the thing in which you are slandered, those who disparage your good behavior in Christ will be put to shame.

1 Peter 3:15b-16 (NASB)



Suffering for Doing Right

17 For it is better, if God should will it so, that you suffer for doing what is right rather than for doing what is wrong.

1 Peter 3:17 (NASB)

