



EXILES
Living Beyond This World

1 Peter 3:8-12

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1. Let Five Qualities Define You (3:8)

2. Engage the Temporal World with an Eternal Perspective (3:9-11)

3. Trust the Lord's Watchful Care (3:12)

Questions for Discussion and Application

Quick Review

1. Was there anything in the passage that challenged or encouraged you?

2. How did this passage of Scripture help you see Christ better?

Digging Deeper

1. How do the five qualities listed in v. 8 reflect the character of Christ? How do these function like the five fingers on the hand of fellowship?

2. What does it mean to have "unity of mind" and "a humble mind" in the context of Christian community?

3. Read vv. 8-9 then discuss this quote from Karen Jobes: “The Christian community is to be an alternate society where believers should not have to face the same kinds of insult and hostility that come from those outside the church.”

4. What is the significance of Peter quoting Psalm 34 (vv. 12-16) in vv. 10-12? How does this Old Testament reference enhance our understanding of his message?

Taking It Home

1. How can you apply the principle of not repaying evil with evil in a current conflict or difficult relationship?

2. Reflect on your speech habits. What changes might you need to make to ensure that your words align with the encouragement to “keep your tongue from evil”?

3. When faced with injustice or unfair treatment, how can you trust in God’s justice as described in v. 12?

4. Think of a situation where you need to turn away from evil and do good. What steps can you take this week to make that change?