

## "The Church's Response to Suffering" 1 Peter 3:8-12

I. Peter	sums up the admonition began	n in 2:12 with a blanket
	for all Chri	istians (3:8a).
1 Peter 5:5		
a.	Christians are to be unified,	sympathetic, familial in
	love, compassionate and	
	(3:8b).	
b.	Focusing on the enmity of u	inbelievers (2:12, 2:23),
	Christians are not to engage	e in
	or abuse but are to speak we	ell (bless) to others and
	thus earn a good reputation	(blessing) (3:9).
II. The apostle findsfor his comma		for his commands
in	the Old Testament Scriptures	s, Psalm 34:12-22:
Psalms 34:12-22	2	
a.	The person who wants to lo	ve life and see good
	days needs to withhold his _	
	from evil and guile (3:10).	
b.	As an alternative to evil ass	aults, blow out evil, do
	good and seek	(3:11).

c.	God's	are on the righteous, His
		hear their prayers, and He sets His
		against the person doing evil (3:12)