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THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK

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- In verse 9, Peter echoes Jesus in Luke 6:28–29.
- In verses 10–12, Peter quotes David in Psalm 34:12–14.
- In verse 14, Peter refers to Jesus in Matthew 5:10–12.
- In verses 14–15, Peter alludes to Isaiah 8:12–13.

#### THE MAIN POINT OF 1 PETER 3:8–17

# Christian hope is so life-transforming that it empowers us to love and peace even while we suffer.

## FURTHER EXPLANATION

1. Your hope—that is, your confidence that you will most certainly inherit Jesus's kingdom—fuels your love despite suffering (verses 8-12).

"There is no experience of God's goodness without a corresponding godliness."

— Allen Ross on Psalm 34

"Living a godly life does not earn salvation but is an evidence of it."

— Thomas Schreiner on 1 Peter 3

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- 1. Your hope—that is, your confidence that you will most certainly inherit Jesus's kingdom—fuels your love despite suffering (verses 8-12).
- 2. Your hope—that is, your confidence that you will most certainly inherit Jesus's kingdom—drives out fear of suffering (verses 13-17).

"It is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than [to suffer] for doing evil."

— 1 Peter 3:17