

Pleasing the Eyes of Christ

1 Peter 3:8-12

1. Marks of the Christian _____ (v. 8-9)

- a. _____
 - i. Of _____
 - ii. Of _____
 - iii. Of _____
- b. _____
 - i. With _____
 - ii. With _____

2. Marks of Christian _____ (v. 10-11)

- a. Clean _____
- b. Clean _____
- c. Clean _____

3. Marks of the Christian _____ (v. 9, 12)

- a. Sense of _____
- b. Reminder of _____
- c. Assurance of Divine _____
- d. Confidence of Divine _____

"Do not say, 'I will repay evil'; wait for the LORD, and he will deliver you." (Proverbs 20:22)

"A worthless man plots evil, and his speech is like a scorching fire." (Proverbs 16:27)

"Whoever meddles in a quarrel not his own is like one who takes a passing dog by the ears." (Proverbs 26:20)

For Further Study

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The text begins literally with something like "Now the end – all"

Read Romans 12:9-21.

1. Christians are supposed to be in unity. In unity of what?
2. When we show sympathy, brotherly love, and a tender heart (or compassion), what does that practically look like?
3. The "all" means everyone in the church. Is it harder to have the proper Christian temperament with some folks than with others?
4. The last adjective is "humble-minded." Is humility self-deprecation or a willingness to put others first?
5. How does humility play into a refusal to seek revenge?

Peter once again says, "to this you were called." He also wrote this in 2:21. What does he mean by this?

Read Philippians 1:27-30.

1. Choose from the following options and discuss:
 - a. We are called to suffer without retaliation.
 - b. We are called to bless our enemies.
 - c. We are called to remember our inherited blessing.
 - d. We are called to the marks of Christian living recorded throughout our text and the context of 1:13-3:22.
2. How does a sense of calling impact our behavior?

Verses 10-12 quote the Greek translation of Psalm 34:12-16. Will adherents to this counsel experience immediate "good days?"

Read Matthew 5:10-12.

1. List some of the troubles with the tongue. (See also James 3 or consult or Westminster Larger Catechism #145!)
2. To turn from evil and do good is essentially _____.
3. How does someone "pursue" peace?
4. Explain how verse 12 gives motives for good behavior.