

# 1 Peter 3: 8-16 – How Was Your Day

- 1) Intro
  - a) Good days and bad days
  - b) Making peace
  - c) Doing what is right
- 2) 1 Peter 3: 10 (NLT)
  - a) ***Q: How was your day? Was it a good day or a bad day? What was one thing that made it a good or a bad day?***
  - b) Notice, v. 10 is an “If...then” statement
    - i) *If you want this, then do this*
    - ii) ***Q: So what do I have to do to have a “good day”?***
      - (1) Evil – bad conduct, causing discomfort or repulsion, offensive, disagreeable, causing harm
      - (2) Keep your tongue from causing harm
        - (a) ***Q: Was your tongue responsible for you having a bad day?***
    - iii) ***Q: How can this advice help you with your situation? Or help you have a great day tomorrow?***
- 3) V. 11
  - a) Note – living in peace is “hard work”
    - i) Peace – freedom from civil disturbance, security and order within a community, harmony in relationships
    - ii) ***Q: Right now, who is one person you are not at “peace” with?***
      - (1) ***Q: What is making it hard?***
- 4) V. 12
  - a) Note – The Lord will watch over those who do right and answer their prayers
  - b) How bad do you want the Lord to watch over you and hear your prayers?
- 5) V. 13-14
  - a) ***Q: Do you believe that people will be less likely to harm you if you do good?***
  - b) ***Q: How have other Christians (in the Bible or later) suffered to do what they knew was right?***
    - i) Would you be willing to do the same?
- 6) V. 15-16
  - a) ***Q: What do you think is the “Christian hope” Peter refers to?***
    - i) Salvation – no Christian-ese
    - ii) Ability to endure suffering
  - b) ***Q: If someone asks why do you hope in Christ, are you ready to answer them?***
- 7) Practical
  - a) ***Q: Has this lesson revealed anything to you about resolving that current situation?***
  - b) ***Q: What will you do to keep your words from hurting someone?***