



Your Calling

1 Peter 2:21-25

*1Pet. 3:8 ¶ To sum up, all of you be harmonious, sympathetic, brotherly, kindhearted, and humble in spirit; 1Pet. 3:9 **not returning evil for evil or insult for insult, but giving a blessing instead**; for you were called for the very purpose that you **might inherit a blessing**.*

*1Pet. 2:21 For you have been called for this **purpose**, since Christ also suffered for you, **leaving you an example** for you to **follow in His steps**,*

1. God has called you to deal with _____ people who are far from God just like _____.

*1Pet. 2:22 WHO COMMITTED **NO SIN**, NOR WAS ANY DECEIT FOUND IN HIS MOUTH;*

Step one: Live a _____ life in the Spirit's power.

*1Pet. 2:23 and while being reviled, He **did not revile in return**; while suffering, He **uttered no threats**...*

Step two: You do not _____ evil for evil.

*1Pet. 2:23 ...but kept **entrusting** Himself to Him who **judges** righteously;*

Step three: You live by faith in God's _____.

*1Pet. 2:24 and He Himself **bore our sins** in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and **live to righteousness**; for by His wounds you were **healed**.*

2. Your _____ like Jesus can _____ Jesus to sinful people.

*1Pet. 2:25 For you were continually **straying like sheep**, but now you have returned to the **Shepherd and Guardian of your souls** [= "your lives' experiences/worth"].*

3. The resurrected Jesus is the Ultimate _____ who cares for you, and He will _____ your life's worth.

Big Idea: When people who are far from God treat you _____, follow in the _____ of Jesus.