

GETTING INTO THE DETAILS

Uncommon Pursuits: Episode 6 of 10 1 Peter 3:8-12

Live in harmony with each other I Peter 3:8a

MAIN IDEA: WE WILL CHOOSE TO BLESS INSTEAD OF CURSE OTHERS.

Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble. Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult. On the contrary, repay evil with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing. For,

"Whoever would love life
and see good days
must keep their tongue from evil
and their lips from deceitful speech.
They must turn from evil and do good;
they must seek peace and pursue it.
For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous
and his ears are attentive to their prayer,
but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil." 1 Peter 3:8-12

1. SYMPATHY Be sympathetic... v. 8

SYMPATHY - TO UNDERSTAND, VALIDATE, OR AFFIRM SOMEONE'S FEELINGS

Be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry. James 1:19

We must bear the 'burden' of being considerate of the doubts and fears of others... Romans 15:2 (LB)

2. LOYALTY ...have brotherly love... v. 8

LOYALTY = BEING COMMITTED TO THE RELATIONSHIP

Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Romans 12:10

If you love someone, you'll be loyal to him no matter what the cost... I Corinthians 13:7 (LB)

3. COMPASSION ...be compassionate... v. 8

Clothe yourself in compassion. Colossians 3:12. Compassion – Love in Action

We should love people not only with words and talk, but by our actions and true caring. I John 3:18 (NCV)

4. **HUMILITY** ...be humble... v.8

Pride only leads to arguments. Proverbs 13:10

Anyone who refuses to admit his mistakes can never be successful. But if he confesses and forsakes them, he gets another chance. Pr. 28:13 (LB)

5. MERCY ... pay them back with a blessing... v. 9

MERCY – GIVING MORE KINDNESS THAN JUSTICE DEMANDS

Never pay back one wrong with another, or pay an angry word with another one; instead, pay back with a blessing ... so that you inherit a blessing yourself. 1 Peter 3:9 (JB)

Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. Colossians 3:13

Love keeps no record of wrongs. 1 Corinthians 13:5

6. MATURITY

If you want a happy, good life, keep control of your tongue, and guard your lips from telling lies...live in peace. 1 Peter 3:10 (LB)

Thoughtless words can wound as deeply as any sword, but wisely spoken words can heal. Proverbs 12:18

MATURITY – WHEN YOUR CONCERN FOR OTHERS IS GREATER THAN YOUR CONCERN FOR YOURSELF

LOYALTY: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

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