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“If you can help you *neighbor* now, don't say, “Come back tomorrow, and then I'll help you.””

Proverbs 3:28

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“Don't plot harm against you *neighbor*, for those who live nearby trust you.”

Proverbs 3:29

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“When disaster strikes, you won’t have to ask your brother for assistance. It’s better to go to a *neighbor* than to a brother who lives far away.”

Proverbs 27:10

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“Don't visit your *neighbors* too often, or you will wear out your welcome.”

Proverbs 25:17

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“Be careful to live properly among your unbelieving neighbors. Then even if they accuse you of doing wrong, they will see your honorable behavior, and they will give honor to God when he judges the world.”

1 Peter 2:12

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# Rebellion against the government

*They blames Christians when Rome burnt*

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# Atheism

*Rejected idolatry and polytheism  
as well as Emperor Worship*



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# Cannibalism

*Misunderstood the Lord's Supper*

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# Immortality

*They spent so much time together  
and spoke of loving each other.*

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# Judgement & Condemning

*Holier Than Thought*

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# Bible Bashing

*They want to use God's Word as a weapon*

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Money! Money! Money!

*They just want your money, they're hypocrites*

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# Conversion

*They don't care about you, just converting you*

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# Anti-Everything

*They're restricted and closed minded*

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“And maintaining an honorable (good, beautiful, choice, lifestyle) among the Gentiles so that, with respect to the very things about which they slander you as evildoers, they may, by observing your good (good, beautiful, choice) works, glorify God on the day of visitation.”

1 Peter 2:12 Literal Greek Translation

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“Keep your behavior excellent among the [unsaved] Gentiles [conduct yourself honorably, with graciousness and integrity] so that for whatever reason they may slander you as evildoers, yet by observing your good deeds they may [instead come to] glorify God in the day of visitation [when He looks upon them with mercy].”

1 Peter 2:12 Amplified Version

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“Then, even if some refuse to obey the Good News, your godly lives will speak to them without any words. They will be won over by observing your pure and reverent lives.”

1 Peter 3:1-2

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Our goal is to live a lifestyle of witness to them - with honor, grace and integrity - where they can experience a true believer up close. Jesus told us to let our light shine that they may see our good works and glorify our Father who is in Heaven.

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Can we live lifestyles that will  
win our neighbors to God?

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We must accept this realization:  
They are watching our lifestyle

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They want to respect you,  
but they need reasons to do so

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Peter was teaching that when the grace of God visits the human heart of an unbeliever, he will respond with saving faith and glorify God because he remembers the testimony of believers he had observed. Those who don't believe will experience the visitations of His wrath in the final judgment.”

Macarthur's Bible Commentary

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# Prayer Walk Where You Live

Open my Eyes Lord: *How can I CARE? How can I SERVE?*

Are apologies Needed? *Can I show Godly repentance?*  
*"I was wrong, I am sorry. Please forgive me."*

Lord, Use Me! *Show your goodness through my life, lead  
my near neighbors to salvation in you*

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