

A New Way to be Human

1 Peter 3:8-22

The Display of Godly Character

(1 Peter 3:8)

- Attitudes are foundational to our actions
- The unbeliever is put on notice that something different is happening

Restraint Informed by Hope

(1 Peter 3:10-17)

- Reflecting Divine forbearance
 - Returning good for evil is Divine
 - Remembering that we were once God's enemies
- Pursuing enlightened self-interest
 - Don't focus on the hardship of the present, but on the blessings in the future
- God's way is eternally better than the alternative

Jesus is the Last Word

(1 Peter 3:18-22)

- The greatest good was accomplished through Jesus' suffering. Ours won't be wasted either.
- In the end, Jesus is victorious. We take courage in His triumph and vindication