

1 Peter 3

“Practical Peter”

Reading--[1 Peter 3](#)

A. What is the point?

1. Ever read a book and wondered what is the point?
2. Why do I need to read this?
3. Often that is the case with the Bible

B. Three practical applications

1. Peter made it pretty simple in chapter three
2. This is what it is all about
3. This is why we do it.

1. Martial Responsibility - 3:1-7

A. Wives [v. 1-6](#)

1. Be **submissive** to your own husbands,
 - a. *that* even if some do not obey the word, they, without a word, ***may be won*** by the conduct of their wives,
 - b. when they observe your chaste conduct accompanied by fear.
2. Do not let your **adornment** be merely outward
 - a. arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on fine apparel
 - b. rather let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God.
 - c. For in this manner, in former times, the holy women who trusted in God also adorned themselves, being submissive to their own husbands, as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, whose daughters you are if you do good and are not afraid with any terror.

B. Husbands [v. 7](#)

1. **Dwell** with them (don't separate—[1 Corinthians 7:3-5](#))
2. with **understanding**, (Knowledge, Consideration)
3. Giving **honor** to the wife,
4. as to the **weaker** vessel,
5. as being heirs **together** of the grace of life
6. that your prayers may not be hindered

2. Mutual Responsibility - 3:8-17

A. Cultivate right attitude [v.8](#)

1. One Mind—Unity
2. Compassion—concern
3. Love as brothers
4. Tenderhearted
5. Courteous

B. Control self [v.9-12](#)

1. Vengeance—[Matthew 5:44](#); [Romans 12:19-21](#)
2. Controlling the tongue—[James 1:26](#) thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue... this one's religion is useless.
3. Controlling behavior—Doing good, [Ephesians 2:10](#)
4. *that you may inherit a blessing*

C. Courage and confidence [v.13-14](#)

1. Courage is not “never being afraid,” but going on in spite of fear.
2. “Who will harm you?”
3. Anyone, but, Revelation 2:10 in spite of the harm.

D. Conviction [v.15-17](#)

1. You don't have to know everything, but why you have hope!
2. Be ready to stand for that hope at any time.
3. It is better to suffer for good than for evil.

3. Missionary Responsibility - 3:18-22

A. Imitate Christ's concern for the lost

1. He suffered and died for the lost.
2. Philippians 2:5 “Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ
3. Submitted himself to the cross for others

B. What if those who are lost don't respond?

1. Jesus died anyway!
2. Will we suffer anyway?

Conclusion:

1. Notice in each category there is a concern for the spiritual well-being of others
2. Live so your spouse will love God in Christ
3. Live so others will glorify God
4. Live so the lost might be saved...
5. Even if it requires suffering Revelation 2:10