

Managing our Relationships 1 Peter 3:8-12

Context - Peter is drawing the section of how to apply the Gospel to specific areas of life to a close. He finishes out with a flurry of commands that should govern our relationships with others.

To properly manage your relationships....

1. _____ the nature of Christ (8)

You could summarize all of the commands in verse 8 as “Christ-likeness.”

2. _____ evil with blessing (9)

Christians are not to repay evil words with more of the same, but with the opposite, following both the teaching and example of Christ. (Matt. 5:44; Luke 6:27–29, 35; 23:34; cf. Rom. 12:14, 17–21)

3. _____ your words and actions (10-12)

Peter is quoting Psalm 34 here -

There are a number of passages in 1 Peter that echo what is found in Psalm 34.

1 Peter 1:3 (Psalm 34:1);
1 Peter 1:6 (Psalm 34:19);
1 Peter 1:17 (Psalm 34:5);
1 Peter 1:18; 2:16 (Psalm 34:22);
1 Peter 2:6 (Psalm 34:5);
1 Peter 2:17 (Psalm 34:9, 11);
1 Peter 3:12 (Psalm 34:11).