

## Grounded in Hope – Finding Strength in Relationships

1 Peter 3:1-12

“The business of the home is nothing less than the shaping of the bodies and souls of humanity. The family is the factory that manufactures mankind.” — G.K Chesterton

### 1. **Our \_\_\_\_\_ speaks louder than our words.**

1 Peter 3:1-2 In the same way, you wives, be submissive to your own husbands so that even if any of *them* are disobedient to the word, they may be won without a word by the behavior of their wives, 2 as they observe your chaste and respectful behavior.

1 Peter 2:15 For such is the will of God that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men.

Philippians 1:27 Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ

2 Peter 1:5-8 Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge, 6 and in your knowledge, self-control, and in your self-control, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness, 7 and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love. 8 For if these *qualities* are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### 2. **\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are the foundation stones of strong relationships.**

1 Peter 3:1 In the same way, you wives, be submissive to your own husbands...

1 Peter 3:7 You husbands in the same way, live with your wives in an understanding way, as with someone weaker, since she is a woman; and show her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered.

### 3. **What's on the \_\_\_\_\_ is more important than what's on the outside.**

1 Peter 3:3-4 Your adornment must not be *merely* external—braiding the hair, and wearing gold jewelry, or putting on dresses; 4 but *let it be* the hidden person of the heart, with the imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is precious in the sight of God.

Galatians 5:22-23 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

1 Peter 3:10-12 For, “THE ONE WHO DESIRES LIFE, TO LOVE AND SEE GOOD DAYS, MUST KEEP HIS TONGUE FROM EVIL AND HIS LIPS FROM SPEAKING DECEIT. 11 “HE MUST TURN AWAY FROM EVIL AND DO GOOD; HE MUST SEEK PEACE AND PURSUE IT. 12 “FOR THE EYES OF THE LORD ARE TOWARD THE RIGHTEOUS, AND HIS EARS ATTEND TO THEIR PRAYER, BUT THE FACE OF THE LORD IS AGAINST THOSE WHO DO EVIL.”

**4. Choose to give a \_\_\_\_\_ and not a curse.**

1 Peter 3:8-9 To sum up, all of you be harmonious, sympathetic, brotherly, kindhearted, and humble in spirit; 9 not returning evil for evil or insult for insult, but giving a blessing instead; for you were called for the very purpose that you might inherit a blessing.

- These responses require a \_\_\_\_\_ not a response.
- These responses come from an \_\_\_\_\_ not just an outer expression.
- These responses come from a sense of \_\_\_\_\_ not just a sense of obligation.