

Living the Good Life Pt.1

1 Peter 3:8-12 (v.8)

Introduction:

The Good Life – is a godly life that is lived with the right attitude toward people and having the right godly response to life's trials and tribulations.

Called to godly living in 3 social areas of life:

- **Society at Large** – we are to be godly citizens
- **In the work place** – we are to be godly workers
- **In the home** – we are to be godly examples before our spouses

4 Basic commands to Living the Good Life

- Have the Right Attitude v.8
- Have the Right response
- Have the Right Standard
- Have the Right Incentive

I. Finally v.8a

- a. Peter sums up the 3 social areas of life and encourages all believers to be open to the life of blessings God desires for us to enjoy.

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II. Having The Right Attitude v.8b

a. 5 Spiritual Virtues that constitutes this perspective

i. Be Harmonious

- Believers are to have an inward unity of heart Rom 12:5
- Our conduct must be worthy of the gospel at all times Phil 1:27-28

ii. Be Sympathetic

- We must be ready to sympathize with the pain of others, even of those we don't know Heb 13:3 ,
- We must share in the feelings of others Rom 12:15
- We must not be insensitive, even toward the lost in their pain of life issues Matt 9:36

iii. Be Brotherly

- Demonstrate affection by unselfish service for one another Acts 20:35

iv. Be Kindhearted

- We must have deep feelings for the needs of others Eph 4:32

v. Be Humble in Spirit

- Humility is the most essential of all encompassing virtue of the Christian life 1 Peter 5:5