

# "HE WHO WOULD LOVE LIFE..."

I Peter 3:10-12

---

## Introduction:

1. Commercials promise glamour and success through their products
2. People seek the good life through: Money, power, or pleasure.
3. None of these things truly delivers what it promises.

-- In this lesson we will discuss a three-fold formula for living the good life --

## I. REFRAIN THE TONGUE

- A. ABSTAIN FROM EVIL SPEECH
  1. When living before the world - 2:18-23
  2. When living before our spouse - 3:1
  3. When living before our brethren in the Lord - 3:8-9
- B. ABSTAIN FROM DECEITFUL SPEECH
  1. In compliance with the example of Christ - 2:22, Jn 8:31-32, 14:6
  2. Christians should be the most trusted people on earth
    - a. When we do business - doctor, mechanic, etc
    - b. When we teach - Ep 4:15

## II. TURN FROM EVIL AND DO GOOD

- A. BECAUSE GOD CALLED US TO BE HOLY - I Pe 1:13-16
  1. He is holy - Le 11:44, 45; I Jn 1:5
  2. We no longer conform to the former lust - I Pe 1:14
- B. BECAUSE GOD CALLED US TO A PURPOSE - I Pe 2:9, 10
  1. To proclaim His praises:
  2. To turn enemies from speaking evil to praising God - vs. 12

## III. SEEK PEACE AND PURSUE IT

- A. LIVE IN PEACE WITH OUR BRETHREN
  1. By forgiving one another - Co 3:13
  2. By putting on love - the bond of perfection Co 3:14
- B. LIVE IN PEACE WITH THE WORLD
  1. "...as much as depends on you..." - Ro 12:18
  2. Give place to wrath - Do not avenge yourselves.

## Conclusion:

1. These three points are characteristics of the righteous.
2. READ: 1 Peter 3:12
  - a. Eyes of the Lord are on the righteous
  - b. His ears are open to their prayers
3. The face of the Lord is against those who do evil.