

10. We are to use our tongue to give a \_\_\_\_\_ to others!

11. God has not treated us as we deserve, so how could we \_\_\_\_\_ to treat others as we think they deserve?

Psalm 34:8

### **The Right Reward (10-11)**

12. It is all of grace, but there is a high ethical standard to pursue by which the genuineness of our faith is \_\_\_\_\_!

### **The Right Reason (12)**

13. God hears when we cry out to Him for wisdom to do what \_\_\_\_\_ Him.

### **Conclusion**

Matthew 5:3-12

## **PROCLAIMING GOD'S EXCELLENCE IN THE CHURCH 1 Peter 3:8-12**

### **Introduction**

1. In this passage Peter is going to condense all of his exhortations to this point to just two \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Timothy 2:15; 1 Peter 1:8-9; 4:17

2. Peter's summary of all of his instruction and exhortation is also the expression of its \_\_\_\_\_, namely, what kind of church we are to be.

3. Whatever the specifics of your situation, you are to possess to some extent, and also to be progressing in, a certain quality of \_\_\_\_\_.

## **The Right Relationship (8)**

### *Likeminded*

4. We must have more than basic doctrinal agreement!

We are to have an inward unity of \_\_\_\_\_.

Romans 12:16; Philippians 1:27; 2:1-2; Acts 2:44

### *Sympathetic*

Romans 12:15; 1 Corinthians 12:25-26

5. This means we are not unaffected by what others are feeling, but truly experience their joy or sorrow, and \_\_\_\_\_ in it with them.

### *Loving toward others*

6. We naturally love those in our own family, and as the family of God, such \_\_\_\_\_ ought to characterize us as well.

Romans 12:10; 1 Thessalonians 4:9; 1 Peter 1:22

### *Kindhearted*

Ephesians 4:32; Philippians 1:8

7. Genuine affection is always expressed by words and \_\_\_\_\_.

### *Humble-minded*

Philippians 2:3, 5-8; Colossians 3:12; Matthew 11:29

8. Together, these words describe the ideal character of the Christian, and they carry the force of a \_\_\_\_\_.

## **The Right Response (9)**

Leviticus 24:19-20

9. The behavior Peter urges upon us is entirely \_\_\_\_\_ with Old Testament teaching on personal behavior as it concerns offense.

Leviticus 19:18; Proverbs 20:22

### *Do not return evil for evil!*

1 Thessalonians 5:15; Matthew 5:38-39, 43-45

### *Do not give insult for insult!*

Matthew 5:21-22