





## I Peter 2:11-18 The Lifestyle of Sanctification, part 3

"Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation."

In encouraging the reader to live the lifestyle of sanctification, Peter urges honest interaction, for the glory of their God. 12.

- 1. **The Principle:** Sanctification requires me to decide to strive to be <u>genuine</u> as a matter of principle. *Having your conversation honest*. Philippians 1:27.
- 2. **The Audience:** the believer is <u>on stage</u> before the lost at all times. *among the Gentiles*. Matthew 5:14-16.
- 3. **The Bias:** every unbeliever has some level of <u>animosity</u> towards God. *whereas they speak against you as evildoers*. John 15:19.
- 4. **The Objective:** the ultimate purpose of every believer should be for God to receive <u>glory</u>. *that...they may... glorify God*. I Corinthians 6:20.
- 5. **The Means:** my honest living causes the Christian faith to make <u>sense</u> to people. *by your good works*. James 2:24.
- 6. **The Witness:** when you are real, you <u>enable</u> unbelievers to see for themselves that God is real. *which they shall behold*. 2 Corinthians 5:20.
- 7. **The Day:** in the appointed days of <u>testing</u>, punishment, etc.

in the day of visitation. Luke 19:44.

"Visitation" used 15 times in the Bible, only 2 in the NT. Of these 15 usages, 8 are in the book of Jeremiah, a book that focuses on the invasion of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar and the commencement of the captivity.

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"Day of visitation" is an event that represents the commencement or the culmination of God working in the life of an individual or among a group of people.

Examples of the "Day of visitation:"

-The day the Flood began.

-Job's calamity.

-Joseph's ordeal with his brothers.

-Israel's Exodus from Egypt.

-Nebuchadnezzar's invasion of Jerusalem.

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