

*First Peter Series - A Living Hope*

**“Living and Loving the Good Life”**

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1 Peter 3:8-12

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**Introduction:**

- A. What do you think when I say the “\_\_\_\_\_?”
- B. One of the most notorious 20th Century personifications of the hedonistic life was the famed novelist \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Even the pages of Scripture contain examples of individuals who pursued the “good life” in all the \_\_\_\_\_. (Eccl. 2:17; 12:13)

**I. Treat Others \_\_\_\_\_**

- A. Peter listed things that would enhance our relationships
  - 1. Be \_\_\_\_\_
  - 2. Be \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
  - 3. \_\_\_\_\_ one another
  - 4. Be \_\_\_\_\_
  - 5. We must not \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Guard Your \_\_\_\_\_**

- A. James 3 and Psalm 141:3.
- B. We should not allow our tongues to be used to \_\_\_\_\_ others and \_\_\_\_\_ them down.
- C. We should tell the \_\_\_\_\_.

**III. Turn from \_\_\_\_\_ and Do \_\_\_\_\_**

- A. We live in a time when evil has become so \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Beware of the \_\_\_\_\_ that calls itself \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. People living together \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of marriage is no longer taboo.
- D. Having babies out of \_\_\_\_\_ is not longer taboo.
- E. Same sex \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ is becoming more accepted.
- F. Think of the way that \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ has taken over.
- G. Look at the way that \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ is on the increase.

**IV. Seek \_\_\_\_\_ and Pursue It**

- A. References: Mt. 5:9; James 3:18; Rom. 12:18; 14:19; 5:1; Gal. 5:22

**Conclusion:** The Lord’s \_\_\_\_\_ on the righteous and His \_\_\_\_\_ are attentive to their \_\_\_\_\_. Ask God to help you live the good life.

Answer Key: Intro. A. Good, Life. B. Ernest, Hemingway. C. wrong, places. I. Rightly. I.A.1. like-minded. I.A.2. sympathetic, compassionate. I.A.3. love. I.A.4. humble. I.A.5. seek, revenge. II. Tongue. II.B. harm, tear. II.C. truth. III. Evil, Good. III.A. accepted. III.B. filth, entertainment. III.C. before, outside. III.D. wedlock. E. couples, marriage. III.F. greed, selfishness. III.G. lotteries, gambling. IV. Peace. Concl. Eyes, ears, prayers.