

With the Master in the Fiery Furnace—Questions to Consider—Lesson 15—1 Peter 3:13-17—Six Keys to Be an Effective Witness

(You may need to use the KJV version of the Bible in some of these questions.)

1. (a) As you read 1 Peter 3:13-17, what qualities (for a Christian) do you see that Peter has already mentioned in this same chapter? (b) What connections do you see?



2. Memorize 1 Peter 3:17.
3. (a) What are some reasons we should not be fearful of our enemies, according to Isaiah 41:10-14; 51:12, 13; Jeremiah 1:8; John 14:27; 2 Timothy 1:7? (b) Who should we be fearful of, according to Luke 12:4, 5?
4. Isaiah 7 and 8 are the setting for Peter's quote in 1 Peter 3:15, "Sanctify the Lord in your hearts" (KJV) (see Isaiah 8:13). (a) What is happening in these chapters? (b) What is the reason Isaiah says, "Sanctify the Lord of hosts himself"? (c) Why do you think Peter quotes Isaiah in 1 Peter?
5. (a) Who is asking Peter of the "hope within him" in Acts 4:1-12? (b) How does Peter defend his faith? (c) What can you learn from Peter about sharing your faith?
6. (a) What does our conscience do, according to John 8:9? (KJV) (b) What kinds of consciences should we as believers have, according to Acts 23:1; 24:16; Romans 9:1 and 1 Timothy 3:9? (c) What kind of consciences do unbelievers have, according to 1 Timothy 4:2 and Titus 1:15? (d) How does a good conscience help believers in time of trial? (e) How does it help in opportunities of witnessing?
7. (a) Do you know how to defend your faith? In other words, can you share the gospel in a winsome and clear way, defending your faith in Christ? (b) What are some ways you have learned that you could pass on to others?
8. Does Christ have first place in your heart? If not, why not? Also, if not, who or what has first place?
9. Please write a prayer request based on your answer from question 7 or 8.