1 1 Peter Lesson 15

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2 1 Peter Lesson 15 Chapter 3:13-17

13 And who *is* he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? 14 But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy *are ye*: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled; 15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and *be* ready always to *give* an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear: 16 Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ. 17 For *it is* better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing. 1 Peter 3:13-17

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Verse 13:

And who is he that will harm you,

if ye be followers of that which is good? (Pro 16:7)

What does our Apostle tell us?

- Romans 8:33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.
- Romans 8:34 Who *is* he that condemneth? *It is* Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

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Verse 14:

But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, (2:19-20)

happy are ye: (Matt 5:10, Jas 1:2)

and be not afraid of their terror, (Is 8:12)

neither be troubled; (Jn 14:1)

• John 14:1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

What does Our Apostle tell us?

- 1 Corinthians 4:12 And labour, working with our own hands: being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we suffer it:
- Romans 13:3 For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the evil. Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same:

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Verse 15:

But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: (Is 8:13)

and *be* ready always to *give* an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear!:

What does Our Apostle tell us?

• 2 Timothy 4:2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

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Verse 16:

Having a good conscience; (v21)

that, whereas they speak evil of you, (2:12)

as of evildoers, (4:15)

they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ. (4:4, Matt 5:44) What does Our Apostle tell us?

• 1 Timothy 1:19 Holding faith, and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith have made shipwreck:

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Verse 17:

For *it is* better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, (2:19-20) than for evil doing.

What does Our Apostle tell us?

- Romans 8:17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with *him*, that we may be also glorified together.
- Romans 8:18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time *are* not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us.