

***Living for Christ  
in a Hostile World***

***Studies in 1 Peter***

***Responsive Evangelism***

***1 Peter 3.13-17***

# 1. Don't be Fearful, v13-14

- **Fears are common v14**  
**fears can enslave people Heb 2.5**
- **Don't be frightened v14**  
**fear God - and then nothing else Ps 34.4-22**  
**enthroned Jesus as Lord in your heart v15**

## **2. Be Full of Hope**

- ***Re-born into hope 1.3***  
***Christ's daily presence within us***  
***John 14.18-20,27; 16.33***
- ***An eternal inheritance 1.4***  
***Jesus himself 2 Cor 5.5,8; Phil 1.21-23***  
***John 14.1-3***
- ***Purpose in trials 1.5-7***  
***to prove our faith and God's faithfulness***
- ***Our life is moving towards a clear goal 1.8-9,13***  
***our sights are set on Jesus 1.21; 5.10-11***

## 2. Key Principles for Personal Witnessing, v15-17

- **Our essential starting point v15**  
**Christ as Lord in our hearts 1 Cor 6.19-20**  
**at the core of our being**
- **Our necessary preparation v15**  
**work out what to say John 9.25; Col 4.2-6**
- **Our golden opportunities v15**  
**God will open doors – people will ask us 3.1-4**
- **Our all-important manner v15-17**  
**gentleness**  
**respect**  
**a clear conscience**