

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

***Studies in 1 Peter***

***Getting on with other People***

***1 Peter 3.8-14***

*A message for all of us v8*

**1. Cultivate Harmony, v8**

- *Develop a common mind 1.13; 4.7*  
*the mind of God Mark 8.33; Rom 8.5-6*  
*- from the Scriptures Col 3.15-16*  
*Rom 12.2; Is 55.8-11*

# 1. Cultivate Harmony, v8

## ➤ *Four top tips for relational harmony*

*be sympathetic - shared feelings v7*

*Rom 12.15; Heb 13.3*

*love as brothers - same family - loyalty*

*1 Thess 4.9*

*be compassionate - spontaneous empathy*

*Mat 9.36; 20.34; Lk 7.13*

*be humble - no superiority 5.5; Rom 12.16*

*James 2.1-9; Phil 2.6-7*

## ➤ *Teamwork is vital*

*we can't be a Christian on our own*

*John 13.34-35*

## **2. Seek Blessings, v9-14**

- **First, for others v9 – our way of getting even!**  
**don't seek revenge - v7; 2.21-24**  
**trust God to sort things out**  
**Rom 12.19; 1 Thess 5.15**  
**speak well of others Lk 6.28; 1 Cor 4.12**  
**Mat 5.11-12,44; Eph 4.29-32**  
**grace will be rewarded Lk 6.36-38**
- **Resolve to love life v10; Ps 34.12; Eccl 2.17-23**  
**good days are ones in which**  
**we experience God's goodness Ps 34.8**  
**and control our tongues Ps 141.3-4**  
**James 1.26; 3.9-10,17; Eph 4.29**

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- *The secret of effective praying v9*  
*good relationships Ps 133.1,3*