

1 Peter 3:8-22

A Respectful Witness (2)

A witness is someone who tells other people what they know to be true. Lots of times in the Bible Jesus' followers are called witnesses, because we know something true about Jesus and we need to share it! But when will we get a chance to share the truth about Jesus with our friends?

Peter gives us his big command in verse 15. (*Can you unscramble the mixed-up words?*)

Awlyas be prepared to **igve** an answer to everyone who **sksa** you to give the **erason** for the **ophe** that you have. (*Verse 15*)

We could give lots of clever answers, but Peter gives us a very simple reminder. We could even sum it up in one word or one picture! (*Write or draw a simple way to describe what or who our hope is about!*)

Peter reminds us that people will notice if we live differently to other people, and then they will ask us why. And *then* we can tell them about Jesus!

(*But how are **you** going to live differently so that people will notice? Choose from the ideas below or write your own!*)

- Saying, "Well done!" to other people, even when they do better than you.
 - Being quick to share instead of snatching.
 - Being quick to say thank-you, to other people and to Jesus.
 - Being quick to say sorry when you've done wrong.
 - Being quick to forgive other people who have done wrong to you.
 - Another idea:
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Peter reminds us that when we put our hope in Jesus we don't need to be afraid of anyone else! Here is a verse from the Old Testament that reminds us of the same wonderful truth about God.

(Can you colour **and** learn this memory verse?)

THE LORD

IS MY Light

AND MY

SALVATION

- WHOM SHALL I FEAR?

THE LORD IS THE

STRONGHOLD

OF MY LIFE

- OF WHOM SHALL I BE

AFRAID?

- PSALM 27:1

