

Sermon Notes

To Keep Your Behavior Honorable

You Must Win the Battles against Sinful Desires

1 Peter 2:11-12

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2:11 Hold off the desires of the flesh, which constantly wage battles against the soul.

We are aliens. We are not to behave like the people of this land.

To behave rightly, we have to win battles at the desire level.

2:12 Keeping your behavior honorable among the people of the land, so that they may glorify God.

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Two main interpretations of, “because of your honorable deeds, while observing, they may glorify God in a day of scrutiny.”

Your behavior helps lead them to Christ, & they glorify God.

Even if they don’t trust Christ, and slander you, your life will still bring glory to God from them on judgment day.

We should live God’s ways, no matter what people think or say about us. It will lead to glory for God, and fulfill our purpose.

The Holy Spirit will help you not carry out the desires of the flesh. (Galatians 5:16)

What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

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Application questions for 10/22/2017 sermon

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(Try to have everyone answer this question.)

What is something that in the last couple months you have said you wanted to work on, and how are you doing with that?

When you think about living among non-Christians, how do you typically think about what our behavior should look like compared to theirs?

What are some reasons you think our behaviors are to be different from non-Christians?

What is one way you behave that seems really different from non-Christians around you, because you are following God's way in that behavior?

(Try to have everyone answer this question.)

What is one way you behave that you think really needs to change, because it's too much like non-Christians, and not like God's way?

How do you think we should go about changing a behavior like that? What is the process, and how do you start?

If you have previously made a major change in some behavior of yours, to conform to God's way, what was the process you went through? How long did it take, what were the sticking points or setbacks, what didn't work, what did you feel were the major factors in the change being successful?

How do you feel about what non-Christians around you think and say about you? Be honest. And do you think your feelings about that are good, or how do they need adjusting?

How do feel about the prospect that your life, if lived God's ways, could lead to somebody else glorifying God?

Do you have a question for the group? It might be something you don't understand that others could help with, or something you think should be covered that hasn't.