



LIKEWISE: THE GOSPEL AT HOME

1 PETER 3:1-7

*The home is simply the room
where the Gospel becomes visible.*

Peter is not giving a marriage seminar. He is showing what new birth looks like when Christ becomes our identity—and that identity becomes visible in our homes.



KEY VERSES

1 Peter 3:1
"Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation..."

1 Peter 3:4
"...the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price."

1 Peter 3:5
"For after this manner in the old time the holy women also, who trusted in God, adorned themselves..."

1 Peter 3:7
"Giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered."

1 A DIFFERENT KIND OF STRENGTH
Trust When Power Ends
3:1-2



- A wife's quiet, consistent faith can preach the Gospel when words cannot.
- True strength is not control—it is trusting God where our power runs out.
- Our lives should win people when our arguments cannot.

"That, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation..." (3:1)

2 THE BEAUTY THAT DOES NOT FADE
Incorruptible Character
3:3-4



- Outward beauty fades; inner beauty grows.
- Meekness is not weakness—it is strength resting in the justice of God.
- A meek and quiet spirit is of great price in God's sight.

"...the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price." (3:4)

3 DAUGHTERS BY FAITH
Trusting the Promise
3:5-6



- We are not daughters of Sarah by blood, but by faith.
- Sarah trusted God in what she could not control.
- The same God who kept His promise to her is faithful to His promise to us.

"...whose daughters ye are, as long as ye do well, and are not afraid with any amazement." (3:6)

4 HEIRS TOGETHER
Honor and Shared Inheritance
3:7



- Husbands, dwell with your wives according to knowledge.
- Honor her as a fellow heir of the grace of life.
- How we treat our spouse reaches all the way up to our prayers.

"...as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered." (3:7)

KEY TRUTHS

- Our identity in Christ shapes how we live.
- Meekness is strength trusting God.
- God gives new names and new families.
- The Gospel is visible in the home.
- We are called to honor fellow heirs of grace.

GREEK WORD INSIGHTS

πραῦς (praus) – "meek"
Strength under the control of God; power that rests in His justice.

ἡσυχίος (hesychios) – "quiet"
Settled, tranquil, at rest. A heart not frantic or self-defending.

κοινωνία (koinonia) – "conversation, manner of life"
Not just words, but the whole way we live day by day.

AN EXAMPLE: MOSES, THE MEEK



"Now the man Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth."
(Numbers 12:3)



His brother and sister spoke against him.



He did not defend himself.



He left his vindication in God's hands.



God came down and defended Moses.



When Miriam was judged, Moses prayed for her.



Meekness is strength resting in the justice of God.

The same pattern we see in Christ: "who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; but committed his causes acceptable judgment righteously." (1 Peter 2:23)

HOW THIS SHAPES OUR LIVES



AT HOME
Honor, love, serve, forgive, and build up.



AT WORK
Work faithfully, with integrity, for the Lord.



AS CITIZENS
Submit, do good, and pray for our leaders.



IN THE CHURCH
Encourage one another, serve one another.



TO THE WORLD
Live so others see Jesus in us.



"We are living stones built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." (2:5)



THE BOTTOM LINE

Christ is the living Cornerstone. We are built on Him. Our response to the Gospel determines the outcome—whether we are built up into God's family, or stumble over the stone.



PRAYER FOCUS

Lord, thank You for making us Your people and fellow heirs of grace. Help us to live out our identity in Christ, that You may be seen in our homes, our church, and our lives.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What does "likewise" connect back to in 1 Peter?
2. How can a godly life speak louder than words?
3. What does meekness look like in real life?
4. How does knowing we are heirs together change how we treat each other?