#### Where to SHARE

... Be an Example
1 Peter 3:1-4

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It is always difficult to share your faith with a family member who does not believe. As we seek to share God's love with those who we love most, it is not just about our words, but about our lifestyles.

1 In the same way, wives, submit yourselves to your own husbands so that, even if some disobey the word, they may be won over without a word by the way their wives live 2 when they observe your pure, reverent lives.

- 1 Peter 3:1-2

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

- Ephesians 5:21

8 Finally, <u>all of you</u> be like-minded and sympathetic, love one another, and be compassionate and humble, 9 not paying back evil for evil or insult for insult but, on the contrary, giving a blessing, since you were called for this.

— 1 Peter 3:8-9

15 In your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you. 16

Yet do this with gentleness and respect.

- 1 Peter 3:15-16

#### My Next Step(s):

- o I will let people know that I'm "with them," even when I don't agree with them.
- o I will treat others with compassion and humility.
- I will not repay evil with evil.
- I will let my example demonstrate the love, compassion and patience of Christ.

**Memory Verse:** To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps. - 1 Peter 2:21

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A. 1 B. 2 C. 3 D. 4 E. 5

For x such that  $0 < x < \frac{\pi}{2}$ , the expression

$$\frac{\sqrt{1-\cos^2 x}}{\sin x} + \frac{\sqrt{1-\sin^2 x}}{\cos x}$$
 is equivalent to:

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 $\mathbf{J.} \quad -\tan x \\ \mathbf{K.} \quad \sin 2x$ 



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"submit"

"Submit" – "put someone else first"

Submit to **one another** out of reverence for Christ.

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility <u>value others</u> above yourselves, 4 not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

"win people over without a word, just by the way we live."

Finally, <u>all of you</u> be like-minded and sympathetic, love one another, and be compassionate and humble, not paying back evil for evil or insult for insult but, on the contrary, giving a blessings, since you were called for this.

#1 Like-minded and sympathetic.

Be "like-minded" where we can agree.

Be "sympathetic" where you don't agree.

## The word "sympathy" means "to feel with."

"Immanuel" means "God with us."

#2

Loving to others.

"At the first onset of the disease people pushed the sufferers away and fled from their dearest, throwing them into the roads before they were dead...hoping thereby to avert the spread and contagion of the fatal disease."

- Dionysius

"Most of our brothers showed unbounded love and loyalty, never sparing themselves and thinking only of one another. Heedless of danger, they took charge of the sick, attending to their every need and ministering to them in Christ, and with them departed this life serenely happy; for they were infected by others with the disease, drawing on themselves the sickness of their neighbors and cheerfully accepting their pains."

- Dionysius (Christian Response)

"Christians loved like nobody else loved, even when loving meant laying down their lives."

- Rodney Stark, The Rise of Christianity

#1 Like-minded and sympathetic.

#2

Loving to others.

#3

Compassionate and humble.

# People don't care what you know until they know that you care.

They also tend not to care what you know if you act like you know everything!

Arrogance kills our witness.

In your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you. Yet do this with gentleness and respect.

#1 Like-minded and sympathetic.

#2

Loving to others.

#3

Compassionate and humble.

#4 Not paying back evil for evil.

For <u>you were called to this</u>, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you <u>an example, that you should follow</u> in His steps. He did not commit sin, and no deceit was found in His mouth.