

FIGHTING CLEAN
1 Peter 3:8-15a

INTRODUCTION:

I have told friends my greatest personal accomplishment was the day Nell Riley said, "I DO."
-John Wooden

STEPS TO FIGHTING CLEAN (1 Peter 3:8-12):

1. Be S_____ (v.8)
There are three steps to becoming a *sympathetic* person:
 - a) L_____ to the other:
 - b) Listen and U_____ the other's feelings and ideas:
 - c) Listen, understand and I_____ with the other's feelings and ideas:

συμπαθεις literally means: *to be affected like another by the SAME sufferings and emotions.*

2. Love as B_____ : (v.8)

φιλαδελφοι literally means B_____ love.

The word *φιλεω* literally means to treat others with R_____ and K_____.

3. Be C_____ : (v.8)

ευσπλαγχνος is a H_____ word which commands A_____.

4. Be H_____ : (v.8)

ταπεινοφρονες. It is a combination of two words: *ταπεινοσ* and *φρην*. *ταπεινοσ* means H_____ and O_____. *φρην* means M_____.

5. Repay E_____ with B_____ : (v.9)

When words are many, SIN is not absent, but he who holds his tongue is wise. Prov. 10:19

RECKLESS words pierce like a sword, but the tongue of the wise brings healing. Prov. 12.18

A GENTLE answer turns away wrath, but a HARSH word stirs up anger. Prov. 15.1

APPLICATION:

*Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear what they fear; do not be frightened."
But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are BLESSED. -1 Peter 3:14*

But in your hearts set apart Christ as LORD. -1 Peter 3:15