

## MESSAGE NOTES

04.13.25

SERIES: EASTER IF'S – WEEK 6

1 PETER 3:15-16

MESSAGE: "BEING AN EVERYDAY EVANGELIST"

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*"<sup>15</sup>You must worship Christ as Lord of your life. And IF someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it. <sup>16</sup>But do this in a gentle and respectful way. Keep your conscience clear. Then if people speak against you, they will be ashamed when they see what a good life you live because you belong to Christ."* 1 PET 3:15-16 (NLT)

### V. 15 LITERAL TRANSLATION

*"Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts ready always to make a case for your hope."*

→ Our primary activity of \_\_\_\_\_ is keeping our hearts happy in God

**THE BIG QUESTION:** Are you "**ready always**" to share your faith

→ ANYtime, ANYwhere, and with ANYone?

† With your \_\_\_\_\_ – what you \_\_\_\_\_

† With your \_\_\_\_\_ – how you \_\_\_\_\_

### THE BASIS FOR OUR HOPE

† Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ = "God chose him as your ransom long before the world began, but now in these last days he has been revealed for your sake. Through Christ you have come to trust in God. And you have placed your faith and hope in God because he raised Christ from the dead and gave him great glory." 1 PET 1:20-21

† Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ = "He personally carried our sins in his body on the cross so that we can be dead to sin and live for what is right. By his wounds you are healed." 1 PET 2:24

† Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ = "All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead." 1 PET 1:3

## THREE READINESS NECESSITIES

1. We have to be a good \_\_\_\_\_
  - People will only "ask" if they \_\_\_\_\_ something different
  - Being a good witness for the Christian faith \_\_\_\_\_ with being a good example
  - "In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father."* MAT 5:16
  - "If you are wise and understand God's ways, prove it by living an honorable life, doing good works with the humility that comes from wisdom."* JAS 3:13
2. We have to be able to \_\_\_\_\_ what we believe
  - Our job is not to \_\_\_\_\_
  - Our job is to provide \_\_\_\_\_ = an "apologia"
  - It's not about how much of the Bible we can \_\_\_\_\_
  - It's about how much of the Bible we \_\_\_\_\_
  - "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."* ACTS 1:8
3. We have to be able to \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves in a way that doesn't compromise our witness
  - We express ourselves \_\_\_\_\_
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  - We express ourselves in a way that \_\_\_\_\_ God and others
  - "Let your conversation be gracious and attractive so that you will have the right response for everyone."* COL 4:6
  - "Speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ."* EPH 4:15