

War & Witness

I Peter 2:11-12

How are Christians to live the Christian life in a non-Christian world?

1. We must _____

“When a man first determines to conquer a lust or sin, and to deal with it in earnest, it struggles with great violence to break loose; it cries with earnest and impatience to be satisfied and relieved... We need to be intimately acquainted with the ways, wiles, methods, advantages, and occasions which give lust its success. This is how men deal with their enemies. They search out their plans, ponder their goals, and consider how and by what means they have prevailed over them in the past. Without this kind of strategic thinking, warfare is very primitive... We need to attack our lusts daily. This is the key to the warfare. Even when we think a lust is dead because it is quiet, we must labor to give it new wounds and new blows every day. Do you mortify? Do you make it your daily work? Be always at it while you live; cease not a day from this work; be killing sin or it will be killing you” – John Owen

2. To be _____

Matthew 5: 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

BIG IDEA: We must wage war internally to be a witness externally!