CHRIST IN YOU, THE HOPE OF GLORY



I PETER 3:8-22

I. We have taken the wrong focus on I Peter 3:15.



 What are we missing when we focus first on being prepared to answer?

 What happens when we offer answers to questions they have not asked?

 How can we motivate them to want to ask about our hope? II. Our responsibility is to live so that others think we are strange – I Peter 4:4.



 What is the best way for us to silence our accusers? (I Peter 2:12, 15)

 What changes need to take place in your life for this to happen? III. To change our behavior, we need to change our hearts -Colossians 3:1-4.



 What will help you set your heart and mind on Christ?

 How deeply do you desire for Christ to be your life?

How will you behavior change when this is the case?

IV. Then, when our changed hearts lead to changed lives, that move others to notice and then ask us about our hope --we can tell them -I Peter 3:15.

 What changes when we focus on blessing others instead of on giving right answers?



 Who are you going to intentionally bless this week in hopes of creating desire? V. Today we need to pray for devoted hearts that allow Jesus to fully live in us.



 How does the process we have seen help define Colossians 1:27?

 How will this process more fully allow Christ to live through our lives?



Call to Action: To purposely bless others in the name of Christ to the extent that they ask about your hope.



- Where did we come from?
- Why are we here?
- How will the kindness of Christ in us open doors for the gospel?
- How are you going to allow God to increase your devotion to Him?
- Whose heart are you praying for God to touch?

-How can we help?