

Where is the Line Pt 5, dealing with Society: Don't Answer, Answer: Proverbs 26:4-5

A - When referring to defending the faith, no verse is more referenced then... 1 Peter 3:15

1 Peter 3:14-16 <sup>14</sup> But even if you should suffer for the sake of righteousness, you are blessed. And do not fear their intimidation, and do not be troubled, <sup>15</sup> but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence;<sup>16</sup> and keep a good conscience so that in the thing in which you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ will be put to shame.<sup>(NASB)</sup>

B - So, what does gentleness and reverence really mean?

Gentleness:

Reverence / Respect / Fear:

1- Do not be intimidated by whom ever you are talking to.

2- Stay calm, and keep your head about you.

3- Answer the question according to the word of God, in a manner that will best allow the hearer to see the answer for themselves...

2 - Don't Answer / Answer

A - Proverbs 26:4-5 <sup>4</sup> Do not answer a fool according to his folly, or you will also be like him. <sup>5</sup> Answer a fool as his folly deserves, that he not be wise in his own eyes.<sup>(NASB)</sup>

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In your small groups pick on or two topics to work through using the Don't Answer / Answer Strategy

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