

Behaving Excellently Before Non-Believers:
A Case Study of Paul and the Philippian Jail
1 Peter 2:12 & Acts 16:22-40
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Question: Who does your life most reflect? A non-believer? A moral philanthropist? Or a Christ-follower?

Theme of Text: As Christians we should live so counter-culturally that our actions can only be attributed to a Holy God.

1 Peter 2:12:

- Gentiles=non-believers
- Evil thing=Gospel living that is counter-cultural
- Good deeds=works & words (v9)
- Day of visitation=salvation

Behaving Excellently Before Non-Believers means...

- Choosing not to always exercise your rights (Acts 16:22-24)
- Choosing to rejoice in righteous suffering(Acts 16:25-30)
- Choosing to view people as opportunities for fellowship not fighting (Acts 16:31-34)
- Choosing to submit to ungodly leaders (Acts 16:35-40)

Final Thought: Your light must shine before people in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven. (Matthew 5:16)