

Always Be Ready to Give an Answer

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The Context:
Hope Under
Pressure
(1 Peter 3:13–14)
“Don’t Be afraid of
their threats, nor be
troubled.”

1 Peter 1:6-7
James 1:2–4

Our readiness flows
from suffering, not
comfort.



The Foundation: Honor Christ as Lord

(1 Peter 3:15)

“In your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy”

Romans 10:5-11

Colossians 2:6–7

The Call: Always Be Ready

1 Peter 3:15
“Always being
prepared...”

“Prepared” (Greek:
apologia) means a
reasoned defense,
not an emotional
reaction.

Colossians 4:5–6
2 Timothy 2:15



The Content: The Reason for Your Hope

“...to anyone who
asks you for a reason
for the hope that is in
you”

Romans 5:1

John 3:16



The Manner: Gentleness and Respect

“...yet do it with
gentleness and
respect”

John 4:5-26

Luke 24:15-27



The Witness: A Clear Conscience

“having a good conscience, that when they defame you as evildoers, those who revile your good conduct in Christ may be ashamed.”

Luke 14:12-14



Conclusion

- Christianity is not blind faith—it is reasoned trust in a faithful Savior.
- We are not called to be aggressive debaters, but ready witnesses.
- When Christ is honored in our hearts:
 - Our hope becomes visible
 - Our answers become clear
 - Our tone reflects the gospel