

**GODLY BEHAVIOR IN A  
TIME AND CULTURE OF  
VIOLENCE & INCIVILITY**

# **GODLY BEHAVIOR TOWARD OTHERS BEGINS WITH THIS:**

❖ **Man is made in the image of God**

❖ **Genesis 1:27**

❖ **James 3:9**

# **GODLY BEHAVIOR TOWARD OTHERS IS TAUGHT AND REGULATED BY GOD**

❖ Our Creator has revealed the moral code of behavior that should direct our behavior toward others

❖ Matthew 22:37-40

❖ Titus 2:11-14

# JESUS TAUGHT GODLY BEHAVIOR TOWARD OUR FELLOW MAN

- ❖ Taught in word

  - ❖ Luke 6:27-28

- ❖ Taught by His example

  - ❖ Matthew 26:62-63; 67-68

  - ❖ Luke 23:34

  - ❖ 1 Peter 2:21-23

# **GODLY BEHAVIOR TOWARD OUR FELLOW MAN REQUIRES TEMPERING OUR SPIRIT**

❖ James 1:26

❖ 1 Peter 3:10

❖ Psalm 39:1

❖ 2 Peter 1:6

❖ Galatians 5:23

# **GODLY BEHAVIOR TOWARD OUR FELLOW MAN REQUIRES THE RIGHT DISPOSITION OR ATTITUDE**

## **❖ Putting off these**

**❖ Ephesians 4:31**

**❖ James 3:14-16**

## **❖ Putting on these**

**❖ Ephesians 4:32**

**❖ Colossians 3:12-13**

**❖ 1 Corinthians 13:7**

**❖ James 3:17**

# **GODLY BEHAVIOR TOWARD OUR FELLOW MAN IS BOTH PROACTIVE AND REACTIVE**

❖ Luke 10:25-37

❖ Matthew 7:12

❖ Romans 12:14, 17-21

❖ Proverbs 10:19; 15:1; 15:23; 25:11, 15

**1 PETER 3:13-17**  
**RETURNING GOOD FOR EVIL**  
**ACCOMPLISHES MUCH!**

- ❖ You have obeyed God
- ❖ God is glorified
- ❖ Bringing others to Christ



# INCIVILITY WILL COME TO YOU

- ❖ Because it is an accepted norm among many

  - ❖ 1 Peter 1:18

- ❖ Because the world hates Christians

  - ❖ Luke 21:16-19; John 15:18-19

- ❖ May Christians not be the practitioners of incivility!

## TWO WAYS TO BEHAVE TOWARD EVIL AND INCIVILITY

- ❖ Return evil for evil OR Return good for evil
- ❖ Be overcome by evil OR Overcome evil with good
- ❖ You must overcome OR Be overcome
- ❖ You must conquer OR Be conquered