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**Biblically Correct**

**Standing in Faith While Walking in Obedience**

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**1 Peter 3:13-17 (NIV):** Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened." But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. For it is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.

**REQUIREMENT #1: BE STRONG**

**1 Peter 3:14-15 (NIV):** ..."Do not fear their threats; do not be frightened." But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord...

**1 Peter 3:15 (NLT):** Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life...

**1 Peter 3:15 (ESV):** But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy...

**1 Peter 3:15 (AMP):** But in your hearts set Christ apart [as holy—acknowledging Him, giving Him first place in your lives] as Lord...

**Psalms 22:28 (NIV):** For dominion belongs to the LORD and he rules over the nations.

**Psalms 103:19 (NIV):** The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all.

**REQUIREMENT #2: BE PREPARED**

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**REQUIREMENT #3: BE GENTLE AND RESPECTFUL**

**1 Peter 3:15 (NIV):** ...But do this with gentleness and respect.

**1 Corinthians 13:1 (NIV):** If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal.

**2 Timothy 2:25 (NLT):** Gently instruct those who oppose the truth. Perhaps God will change those people's hearts, and they will learn the truth.