

# VR TUES

2 Peter 1:7 and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love

Following godliness, Peter adds “brotherly kindness” to the list of qualities of a Christian’s life. Kindness is often found with goodness or gentleness. Kindness is the way we treat others. Kindness is shown in acts of thoughtfulness or sweetness and is generated from a kind heart. Kindness is not something that one turns on and off. A person is kind, that is who they are.

In our English Bibles, we find two words: Brotherly Kindness. This is not to imply that we are only kind to each other, brothers. Galatians 6:10 teaches us to do good to all people, especially those of the household of faith.

In the Greek, Brotherly Kindness, is one word. It is the word \_\_\_\_\_—the warm, emotional love and bond between others.



## The Kindness Passages

Lk 6:35 Jesus is kind to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ men

Acts 9:36 Dorcus was abounding with \_\_\_\_\_ of kindness

Acts 10:33 Peter coming to Cornelius was seen as \_\_\_\_\_

Acts 28:2 the natives showed kindness by building a \_\_\_\_\_ for the cold and wet Paul

Rom 12:21 overcome evil with \_\_\_\_\_

1 Cor 13:4 \_\_\_\_\_ is kind

Gal 5:22 listed among the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_

Eph 4:32 Be kind to \_\_\_\_\_

Col 3:12 Put on a heart of compassion, \_\_\_\_\_

2 Tim 2:24 The Lord’s bond-servant must not be \_\_\_\_\_, but be kind to all

Titus 2:5 Younger \_\_\_\_\_ were to be encouraged to be kind

Kindness is one of the first attractions to Christianity. Jesus, by doing good and improving life for others, opened the door for people to listen and believe Him (Acts 10:38).

In a culture of selfish agendas and demands, kindness has a fresh appeal to it.

What aspects of kindness can one do that may lead others to Christ?

Some would say that the church today needs to be more active in the community in showing kindness to attract more people. What about that?

- The N.T. also shows us examples of brethren being “unkind” to each other. List some:

A. Many do not fully understand the Biblical nature of kindness.

1. They are convinced that if you are kind then you will accept them as they are and approve of what they are doing.

- Saying anything negative is painted as being "unkind" - THAT's NOT NICE...

### Was Paul Kind?

Delivered one to \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Cor 5:5)

\_\_\_\_\_ Peter publicly (Gal 2:14)

\_\_\_\_\_ made \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 13:11)

Rebellious men are to be \_\_\_\_\_ (Titus 1:11)

\_\_\_\_\_ from those who teach differently (Rom 16:17)

- Gal 6:1
- 1 Pet 3:15
- 2 Tim 2:25

How do we show kindness at home?

How do we show kindness in the congregation?

How will being a kind person impact the disagreements and tough conversations we have?

What is a kind thing that another Christian has done for you?

- What did this do to you?

Reading Ps 109:21, how has God been kind to you?

