



A NEW HOPE

#5 Authority or Authenticity?

1 Peter 2:11-25

2-6-22

Freedom is not so much the absence of _____ as finding the _____, those that fit with the realities of our own nature and those of the world. And beyond that, _____ is more hopeful than personal _____.

1. Argument for good behavior: there's _____ to life _____ this.

- A. It's hopeful to do good because goodness fits with the life _____, the real one, the eternal one. We are _____ here. We are all on a _____ to another life.

2. Argument for good behavior: it gives your soul _____.

- A. Christian goodness is always only a _____ to the unbelievable _____ of eternal life through Jesus.
- B. The _____-filled life is directly linked with living the _____ life.

"Light shines on the godly, and joy on those whose hearts are right."
Psalms 97:11, NLT

3. Argument for good behavior: it _____ God.

- A. A believer in Jesus works at living a clean life so that other people might _____ it and then also _____, namely God.
- B. Respectful behavior is spiritually _____.

"Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God." Romans.13:1, NIV

- C. Your witness can be _____ or _____ by your behavior.
- D. We are being _____ to the world! Our objective is bringing the two sides of _____ and _____ together.

4. Argument for good behavior: _____ and look at the result of his life!

- A. Jesus' approach to evil was to _____ it in himself.