

1 Peter 2:1-3

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- Much easier said than done
 - Working on this should and will take a lifetime, and even then you won't perfect not doing them.

- Loving your fellow man and these traits are completely incompatible on all levels
 - Each one of these will distort or ruin a relationship.
 - Because of the isolation of being a Christian, we need to make sure the relationships in church are extra good to make up for the lack of them in the world.

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- People born again by God, like babes, should instinctively, eagerly, and incessantly
 - Without this milk, you will die, and you cannot provide it on your own. It must be given to you.

- Careful though, because the milk needs to be unchanged and pure
 - Good or bad messages. Encouraging or reprimanding. The truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.
 - Tickling of ears or interjecting of other philosophy corrupts the milk.

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- All Christians should know God is gracious
 - We have only tasted His graciousness, but He is gracious beyond measure. (not quantitatively)
 - The worse the sinner, the more gracious God appears.

- Not everyone thinks God is good, because some people have never met Him
 - The Christians should want to spread the Good News about the goodness of God to everyone.