

Media and social media responses to the events of our day are endless. Here are some verses that have come to mind.

Bible verses? Yes. We always want to think Biblically about topics raised in the world around us. God's justice and values are often not those of pop culture.

I don't want to tell people what to think. I want to tell help people to think the Scripture! Let Christ guide your hearts and minds with the filter of Scripture.

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Proverbs 18:17

The first to state his case seems right until another comes and cross-examines him.

Amos 5:24 But let justice flow like water, and righteousness, like an unfailing stream.

Galatians 3:28 There is no Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Colossians 3:11 In Christ there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all.

Ephesians 2:11-22

1 Corinthians 12:13 For we were all baptized by one Spirit into **one body** — whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free — and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

26 So if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

Matthew 7:12 Therefore, whatever you want others to do for you, do also the same for them—this is the Law and the Prophets.

James 1:19 My dearly loved brothers, understand this: Everyone must be quick to hear, slow to speak, and slow to anger, 20 for man's anger does not accomplish God's righteousness.

Ephesians 4:26 Be angry and do not sin. Don't let the sun go down on your anger, 27 and don't give the Devil an opportunity.

29 No foul language is to come from your mouth, but only what is good for building up someone in need, so that it gives grace to those who hear.

1 Peter 4:8 Above all, maintain an intense love for each other, since **love covers a multitude of sins.**

*Overlook most sins. But when God prompts:*

Galatians 6:1 Brothers, if someone is caught in any wrongdoing, you who are spiritual should restore such a person with a gentle spirit, watching out for yourselves so you also won't be tempted.

*And when we confess, words matter, as always. Say, "I was wrong when I \_\_\_\_\_". Please forgive me." (Be very specific about the word or action!). Saying, "I'm sorry", or generic "confessions" don't lead to ending specific sins.*

Colossians 3:12 Therefore, God's chosen ones, holy and loved, put on heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, 13 accepting one another and forgiving one another if anyone has a complaint against another. Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also **forgive**. 14 Above all, put on love—the perfect bond of unity.

Hebrews 12:15 Make sure that no one falls short of the grace of God and that no root of bitterness springs up, causing trouble and by it, defiling many.

Galatians 4:17 They are enthusiastic about you, but not for any good. Instead, they want to isolate you so you will be enthusiastic about them.

*There are so many players trying to coop the current anger and unrest for their own agendas: Republicans, Democrats, the media, Antifa, Marxists, drug cartels, gangs, white supremacist groups, etc.. They want to isolate us into warring factions. We are to be followers of Jesus Christ, and not become followers of anyone else. We have one mission: Make disciples of all the nations for Jesus Christ!*