

1 Peter:

Control Yourself!

*The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray. ⁸ Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.
1 Peter 4:7-8 (NIV)*

But the end and culmination of all things has now come near; keep sound minded and self-restrained and alert therefore for [the practice of] prayer. 1 Peter 4:7 ([Amplified Bible - Lockman](#))

1. Control your _____ and _____ so that you can _____.

*When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid
Mark 5:15 (NIV)*

*Hatred stirs up conflict,
but love covers over all wrongs.
Proverbs 10:12 (NIV)*

*For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you.¹⁵ But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.
Matthew 6:14-15 (NIV)*

Above all things have intense and unfailing love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins [forgives and disregards the offenses of others]. [[Prov. 10:12.](#)] ([Amplified Bible - Lockman](#))

2. Choosing to cover offenses is the _____ trait you can possess.

Another way to say it = The greatest sign of spirituality is how much you _____, not how much you _____.