III. How to: Collecting the Facts

A. Command:

- 1. 1 Jn. 2:3-4 Keep the commandments.
- 2. Lev. 10:1-2 Consequences of disobedience

B. Statement:

- 1. Gen. 1:1 "In the beginning God"
- 2. Acts 20:35 "He himself said"
- C. Approved Example or Event:
 - 1. Acts 20:35 "I gave you an example"
 - 2. 2 Thess. 3:7-9 Imitate example
 - 3. 1 Pet. 2:21 Christ left an example.
 - 4. Phil. 4:9 The things which ye... heard and saw in me"
- D. Necessary Conclusion:
 - 1. Josh. 8:1-2 What did Joshua do to the kings of Jericho?
 - 2. Acts 8:35-36 Preached "Jesus," preached "baptism"
 - 3. Matt. 22:31-33 "have ye not read?"
 - 4. Psa. 110:4 Thou art a priest for-ever after the order of Melchizedek:
 - 5. Heb. 7:11-17:
 - a. Vs. 12 There would be a change in the priesthood.
 - b. Vs. 12 The change requires a change in the law.
 - c. Vs. 11 Perfection was not to be found in the Levitical Priesthood.

Love Life

"Finally, be ye all likeminded, compassionate, loving as brethren, tenderhearted, humble minded: not rendering evil for evil, or reviling for reviling; but contrariwise blessing; for hereunto were ye called, that ye should inherit a blessing. For, He that would love life, And see good days, Let him refrain his tongue from evil, And his lips that they speak no guile: And let him turn away from evil, and do good; Let him seek peace, and pursue it (1 Peter 3:8-12).

The apostles are well noted for exhorting brethren to give attention to relationships: The apostle John in his admonition to brethren, saying, "Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and everyone that loveth is begotten of God, and knoweth God" (1 John 4:7), and The apostle Paul, saying, "Let love be without hypocrisy." (Rom. 12:9-10)

Thus, as love of the brethren is command to be followed, as Jesus said to the apostles, "that ye love one another; even as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another" (John 13:34-35).

The apostle Peter's admonition makes a connection between "loving as brethren," and "He that would love life." Within the text of 1 Peter 2, and 3, an emphasis is placed upon proper conduct in relationships, i.e., "Servants be in subjection to your masters with all fear" (2:18), "wives be in subject to your own husbands" (3:1), and "husbands...dwell with your wives according to knowledge" (3:7). Therefore, "Finally, be ye all like-minded, compassionate, loving as brethren, tenderhearted, humble minded: not rendering evil for evil, or reviling for reviling; but contrariwise blessing; for hereunto were ye called, that ye should inherit a blessing" (Ibid). What is a feasible way to nourish relationships, and what reward will follow? By following the admonition of the Psalmist, saying, "For, He that would love life, And see good days, Let him refrain his tongue from evil, And his lips that they speak no guile: And let him turn away from evil, and do good; Let him seek peace, and pursue it. For the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, And his ears unto their supplication: But the face of the Lord is upon them that do evil." ret

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I. Is:

D. R. Dugan: "In the use of this method of interpretation, all the facts are reported, and from them the conclusion is to be reached."

II. Common Recognized Principle:

- A. Law; Medicine; Science; Historical facts; Common Sense
- B. Lk. 24:27 Scriptural