

- The world is not a friend to our faith in Christ.

Silencing the Critics
1 Peter 2:11-12

**I. THE WAR WITHIN MUST BE WON AGAINST
THE ENEMY OF OUR SOUL (2:11).**

- Our sinful desires attempt to defeat us.

- Winning the lost to Christ is the best way to silence our critics.

- Our sinful desires must be resisted with every ounce of our strength.

**II. THE WAR WITHOUT WILL BE WON BY THE
EVIDENCE OF GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR LIVES
(2:12).**

- The weapons of our warfare derive their power from God's work in our hearts and lives.