

When Jesus was on the Earth, He went around doing good, healing the sick, lifting the fallen. He did nothing wrong, but He was misunderstood, criticized, belittled, ridiculed, and falsely accused. How did Jesus respond to protect His reputation? He didn't waste His time trying to prove to His critics that He was the Son of God. He just kept being His best, and trusting His Father to settle His cases.

In this life we all have people who come against us, use and abuse us, and make negative comments about us. However, we spend too much time worrying about what they think, trying to defend ourselves, and prove to people who we are. Rather put your reputation in God's hands. He truly knows who you are in Christ, and promises to defend you, and vindicate you, and will do so far better than you can defend or vindicate yourself. You don't have to retaliate, get even, prove that you are a nice person, or convince people to change their mind about you. What God thinks about you is far more important than what people think about you.

1 Peter 2:22-23 "...He never sinned, nor ever deceived anyone. He did not retaliate when He was insulted, nor threaten revenge when He suffered. He left His case in the hands of God, who always judges fairly..."