MINDING OUR BUSINESS

1 Thessalonians 4:11-12
11 and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life: You should mind your own business and work with your hands, just as we told you,

12 so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.
STAY OUT OF THE CHAOS
15 When they had finished eating, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," he said, "you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my lambs."

16 Again Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He answered, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Take care of my sheep."
The third time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was hurt because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" He said, "Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you." Jesus said, "Feed my sheep.

Very truly I tell you, when you were younger you dressed yourself and went where you wanted; but when you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go."
Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God. Then he said to him, "Follow me!"

Peter turned and saw that the disciple whom Jesus loved was following them. (This was the one who had leaned back against Jesus at the supper and had said, "Lord, who is going to betray you?")
21 When Peter saw him, he asked, "Lord, what about him?"
22 Jesus answered, "If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you? You must follow me."
23 Because of this, the rumor spread among the believers that this disciple would not die. But Jesus did not say that he would not die; he only said, "If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you?"
A CAUSE OF CHAOS
Focus on our own relationship
22 Jesus answered, "If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you? You must follow me."
3 "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?  
4 How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye?  
5 You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.
FOCUS ON OUR OWN RELATIONSHIP
STAY OUT OF ARGUMENTS
23 Because of this, the rumor spread among the believers that this disciple would not die. But Jesus did not say that he would not die; he only said, "If I want him to remain alive until I return, what is that to you?"
Like one who grabs a stray dog by the ears is someone who rushes into a quarrel not their own.
STAY OUT OF
ARGUMENTS
RESERVE OUR OPINIONS
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Proverbs 18

2 Fools find no pleasure in understanding but delight in airing their own opinions.
19 My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry,
RESERVE OUR OPINIONS
WORK HARD
11 and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life: You should mind your own business and work with your hands, just as we told you,
12 so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.
11 We hear that some among you are idle and disruptive. They are not busy; they are busybodies. 12 Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the food they eat.
WORK HARD
How are you doing?
You stood before creation
Eternity in Your hand
You spoke the earth into motion
My soul now to stand
You stood before my failure
And carried the cross
For my shame
My sin weighed upon
Your shoulders
My soul now to stand
So what can I say
And what can I do
But offer this heart O God
Completely to You
So I’ll walk upon salvation
Your Spirit alive in me
My life to declare Your promise
My soul now to stand
So what can I say
And what can I do
But offer this heart O God
Completely to You
So I’ll stand
With arms high
And heart abandoned
In awe of the One
Who gave it all
I’ll stand
My soul Lord
To You surrendered
All I am is Yours
GOODBYE
Have a Wonderful Week!