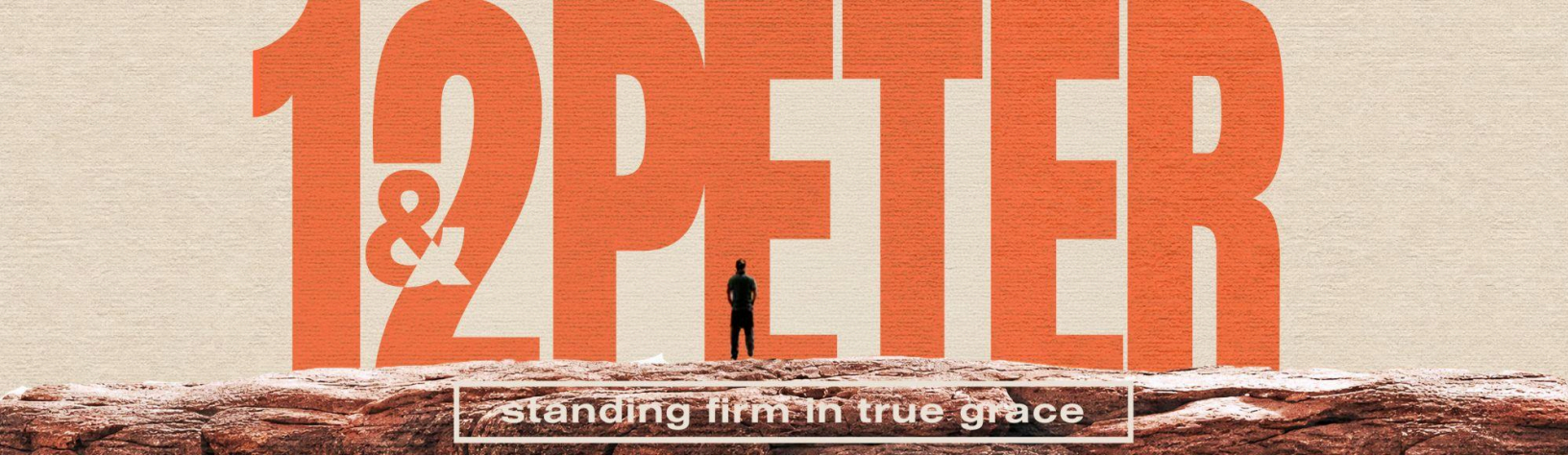


12 & PETER



standing firm in true grace

Suffering for the Lord's Sake

1 Peter 2:18-25 | Thomas Slager

Read 1 Peter 2:18-25

GROW IN FAITH

1. What are some initial takeaways from your reading of this passage? What big ideas stand out to you? Anything a bit confusing?
2. If you could summarize in one sentence a theme for this passage, what would it be?
3. Peter begins by talking to slaves and masters in this passage. How can we relate to his instructions since we do not have slaves in our country? What relationships might relate to our situations?
4. Pastor Thomas talked about rewards for suffering. Why would a believer get a reward for suffering? Why would he or she not get a reward for suffering, according to this passage?

CONNECT IN COMMUNITY

5. One of the key thoughts that Peter communicates is to show respect. How do we show respect even when we are in a situation where we are being mistreated? Is Peter saying that being right is not important? Explain.
6. Verses 23-25 describe why believers will suffer. Is it necessary that all Believers suffer? Why or why not? Why did Christ suffer?

LIVE ON MISSION

7. Have you suffered because of your beliefs? Describe what happened. Did your suffering change the situation? Did it change you? Did your faith grow or was it challenged by suffering?
8. If someone you know were suffering or being persecuted because of their faith in Christ, what would you say to them? How would you encourage them?
9. If all believers are going to suffer for Christ, how could we prepare for suffering?
10. Finally, what is one specific application you can make this week from the passage or our discussion?