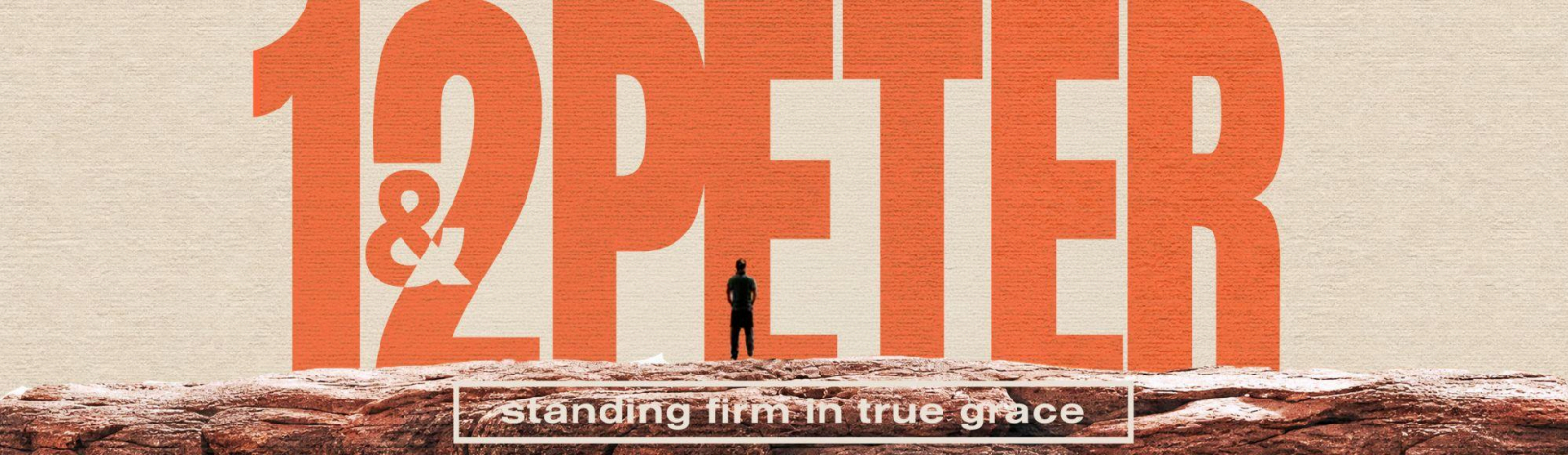


Stewards of God's Grace

1 Peter 4:7–11 | Kevin Yule

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GROW IN FAITH

1. Pastor Kevin said that this passage compels us to "fix our eyes on Jesus." What does this mean, and why is it important? Can you share a time when you distinctly remember doing this and what the circumstances were?
2. Consider the topic of "surrender." When we consider fully surrendering to Jesus Christ, how can suffering enter into the discussion? Can suffering lead one to surrender to Jesus? Can suffering be a consequence of surrendering to Jesus? What principles can we glean from this passage?
3. In verse 7 we are told to be "sober minded." What do you think being "sober-minded" looked like for these dispersed believers? Second, how could being "sober-minded" affect a person's prayer life as Peter suggests in verse 7?

CONNECT IN COMMUNITY

5. When you read 1 Peter 4:8, Peter says love covers a multiple of sins. What does this mean? How have you seen it true as you have loved others? Give an example of how someone loved you and their love covered a multitude of your sins.
6. Peter says in verse 10, that each of us has received a gift that we should use to serve others. Share with your group what spiritual gift you believe God has given you, and how you use it? (Romans 12:6-8, 1 Corinthians 12)

Note: The next two Sundays @ 9:30 former lead pastor Jack Hawkins will be teaching on how our personal story matters and how God can use us to impact where He has us currently. We strongly encourage you to attend the next two Sundays in Student B at 9:30am.

LIVE ON MISSION

7. Peter explains both the purpose of our suffering and the importance of living in a way that draws others to Christ. He says "that in everything God may be glorified". When you look back at the last week, month, and year, how has God been glorified by your actions and life?
8. Does the concept of "the end coming soon" motivate you or does it seem like a long-term prediction? In other words, does it seem to lose some of its importance as more years pass? If so, how do you stay focused? Or does your motivation increase?