



Sermon Discussion Questions

May the Word of God SHAPE and MOLD us into the image of Jesus!

CHECK INS: Let's check in quick with each other; how are we doing folks...?!?

2.1.26 - SERMON RECAP:

Today we continue in our series: Disciples of Jesus. As we look at I Peter 1:1-12 we want to unpack four main dishes before us on this beautiful Gospel Buffet. Specifically that we must 1) Embrace ourselves as Chosen Exiles, 2) Celebrate being Born Again to a living hope and eternal inheritance, 3) Rejoice in our trials and allow growth towards genuine faith, and 4) Remember the Greater Story of the bible and consider our role in it!! Lets turn to I Peter 1:1-12 and read this together.

DIGGING DEEPER:

1. Peter calls believers “elect exiles.” How does holding together the ideas of being chosen by God and living as exiles in the world reshape how you understand your identity today? (Related passages: John 15:18–19; Philippians 3:20; Hebrews 11:13–16)
2. In what ways do you feel the tension of being “at home” in Christ yet out of step with the surrounding culture? Where is that tension hardest to live out faithfully? (Related passages: Romans 12:1–2; 1 John 2:15–17)
3. Peter anchors our new birth in God’s mercy and the resurrection of Jesus. How does the resurrection transform hope from a future idea into a present reality? (Related passages: Romans 5:1–5; 1 Corinthians 15:20–23)
4. The inheritance Peter describes is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading. How does this eternal inheritance challenge the way we measure success, security, and fulfillment now? (Related passages: Matthew 6:19–21; Colossians 3:1–4)
5. Peter holds together real grief and deep joy in the midst of trials. What does this passage teach us about the difference between happiness based on circumstances and joy rooted in faith? (Related passages: James 1:2–4; 2 Corinthians 4:16–18)
6. How have past or present trials exposed areas where your faith has been refined, tested, or strengthened? Where might God be forming something deeper in you right now? (Related passages: Romans 8:18; Hebrews 12:11)
7. Peter says the tested genuineness of faith results in praise, glory, and honor at Jesus’ revelation. How does keeping the end in view help us endure suffering faithfully in the present? (Related passages: Romans 8:17–25; 2 Timothy 4:7–8)
8. The gospel we believe was announced beforehand, fulfilled in Christ, proclaimed by the apostles, and now entrusted to us. What role do you believe God is inviting you to play in making this good news visible and known today??

How Does ALL THIS Apply to our Values?



Gospel Transformation

Compassionate Engagement



Authentic Relationship

Kingdom Multiplication