



Sermon Discussion Questions

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

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

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3.1.26 - SERMON RECAP:

This week we continue in our series: Disciples of Jesus- looking at I Peter 2:1-3. In our passage Peter cautions the church to put away specific community killers, as well as encouraging us to put on and long for some community fillers. As we grow as Disciples of Jesus, we must not be ignorant of any form of Malice, Deceit, Hypocrisy, Envy and/or Slander among us as a Family on Mission. May we press deeply into the things that will fill us, namely, to long for the pure spiritual milk of the Lord as we truly grow up in our salvation and taste to see that the Lord is good. Read I Pet. 2:1-3 together.

DIGGING DEEPER:

1. Peter commands believers to “put away” malice, deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander. Why do you think Peter addresses these relational sins first when speaking about spiritual growth and community health? Related passages: Ephesians 4:29–32; Colossians 3:8–10
2. Malice is described as settled ill-will toward someone. How can malice quietly take root in a church or group without being openly expressed? What warning signs should we watch for?
3. Deceit and hypocrisy involve presenting something outwardly that is not true inwardly. In what ways can “spiritual masks” prevent authentic discipleship and transformation?
4. Envy thrives in comparison culture. How does social media, career status, gifting, or ministry recognition subtly stir envy among believers today? How does the gospel confront this?
5. Slander is described as the outward eruption of inward corruption. How does speech reveal the health of our hearts and the health of our community? Related passages: Lk 6:45; James 3:9–12
6. Peter shifts from “put away” to “long for.” Why is simply removing sin not enough for healthy community? What happens if we uproot weeds but plant nothing in their place?
7. What does it practically mean to “long for the pure spiritual milk”? What rhythms help cultivate spiritual hunger rather than spiritual complacency? Mat. 5:6; Hebrews 5:12–14
8. Why does Peter connect our minds to ‘as newborn infants’ when he encourages us to long for the pure spiritual milk found in our relationship with the Lord? What practical things correlate to the picture of a mother nursing her infant, to that of a believer growing deeper in relationship with God and His filling us with pure spiritual milk??
9. Describe a time in your life when you began to long for a deeper and fuller relationship with Jesus. What brought you to pursue Him more? How did Jesus grow you in that time??
10. Peter connects longing for spiritual nourishment with “growing up into salvation.” How do we distinguish between childish faith and mature faith without becoming prideful or critical?
11. Verse 3 says, “if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.” How does personal experience of God’s goodness motivate relational health in community? Ps. 34:8; 1 John 4:7–11; 2 Cor. 3:18

How Does ALL THIS Apply to our Values?



Gospel Transformation

Compassionate Engagement



Authentic Relationship

Kingdom Multiplication

