

GETTING STARTED:

- 1) Describe a place where you felt you just didn't belong. What were the circumstances?
- 2) What situations made you feel most like a foreigner?

MESSAGE BIG IDEA: Who You Are: A People Living As Foreigners and Exiles**MAIN SCRIPTURE:** 1 Peter 2:11-25; 1 Corinthians 10:23-24**DISCUSSION**

- 1) What do you suppose made Christians appear as foreigners in the Roman Empire based on Brian Gorman's message?
- 2) "Submit to every human authority." What does that look like for us compared to the Roman period of Peter's day?
- 3) Why is it important for Christians to submit to authority based on the verses in 1 Peter 2?
- 4) What did Brian Gorman say was the significance of living as "Free Men" vs. "Freed Men" or "Slaves"? What were these three groups and what impact should this have for Christians in any of these circumstances?

DIG DEEPER

- 1) How do you respond to the notion that "you are Christianity" to those around you?
- 2) How do we "entrust" ourselves to the "One who judges justly" while also living in "freedom"?
- 3) How are we supposed to treat others, particularly those who do not share our faith in Jesus?

BRING IT HOME

- 1) What areas of your life do you find it difficult to not retaliate and where do you need to submit this week so others may be corrected, as Peter taught? How might others notice your behavior as quite different or "foreign" from their own?
- 2) How does our response to injustice today help bring others closer to Jesus?

ASK FOR GOD'S HELP

- 1) How can we pray as you consider where you need to "submit" your life?
- 2) How can we pray that you stand out in your godly conduct?