

Bible Discussion: Finding Home - Week 2

Text: 1 Peter 1:1:3-12

Purpose: To live with hope because of the future inheritance we have in Jesus Christ.

Opening Question: *What is one thing you are looking forward to this fall season?*

The purpose of 1 Peter is to find a balance between our home in heaven and our time on this earth. When there are difficulties and challenges here we are to direct our attention to the hope we have in our future with Jesus. Peter reminds believers that this world has trials, but as believers we have a hope that keeps us following Jesus.

Read and Discuss: 1 Peter 1:3-5

1. *What is the difference between hoping for things in this earth vs. hoping for a future inheritance in heaven?*
2. *What does that say about God that He has an inheritance safely kept for you in heaven?*
3. 2 Cor. 4:7 For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison. *How does knowing that our trials are temporary compared to eternity help you to persevere?*

Read and Discuss: 1 Peter 1:6-7

4. *How can your hope strengthen through trials? Example of a time you went through a trial and how your hope was strengthened?*

Read and Discuss: 1 Peter 1:8-12

5. *In a world that is full of trials and challenges how is it that you believe in Jesus even though you have not seen Him?*
6. *Although suffering is real, how are you thankful that we live in a privileged time of being able to experience salvation through Jesus?*