Living Hope / Holy Life On This Rock: The Unshakeable Hope of 1 & 2 Peter February 12, 2023

Notes

Questions for Personal Reflection and Group Discussion

1. Read 1 Peter 1:1 and 5:12-14.

What do these verses tell you about Peter, the author of this letter?

Whom is Peter writing to, and why does he refer to them as foreigners?

In what ways are Christ-followers foreigners today?

What was Peter's reason for writing this letter?

Suffering was a daily reality for the recipients of Peter's letter, and he refers to suffering 15 times. How are believers around the world suffering today?

Have you ever suffered for your faith in Christ? In what way(s)?

2. Read 1 Peter 1:2-12.

What words or phrases does Peter use to describe our spiritual birth, and what is now true about you as a child of God?

What does Peter say about the purpose of the trials we experience?

How does the fact that God is in control, even in the midst of our trials, give you comfort?

How does Peter say we should respond to trials?

3. Read 1 Peter 1:13-20. What does it mean to be holy, and why does it matter?

What incentives or motivations did Peter give for living a holy life? Do any of these motivate you?

In what area of your life do you need to take a step toward living a holy life? What will that step look like and when will you take it?