

SEPT 12 | LIVING WITH HOPE

- 1. What is the difference in the way the word HOPE is used in the following sentences? I HOPE it doesn't rain tomorrow. According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living HOPE... (v3)
- 2. What does your faith in Jesus have to do with your ability to live with hope?
- 3. What are some trials you have faced in your life? How did these trials test your faith?
- 4. How does your hope for tomorrow change your today?
- 5. Peter wrote these words to Jewish Christians who were being persecuted for their faith. Have you ever been persecuted for your faith?
- 6. Millions of Christians around the world today are being persecuted for their Christian faith. How can you pray for them?



SEPT 19 | LIVING WITH FAITH

- 1. How is your relationship with God today different from your relationship with Him last year, 5 years ago, or 10 years ago?
- 2. What do you think a Christian's "holy" life looks like? Are you living a holy life?
- 3. What is God's answer to your unholiness? How challenging is it for you to live with faith in God's answer to your unholiness?
- 4. How is Jesus' blood like a ransom in a kidnapping case? (1 Peter 2:18-19)
- 5. How has Jesus been made manifest to you? (1 Peter 1:20-21) How can you make Him manifest to others? (1 Peter 2:22-23)
- 6. 1 Peter 2:25 begins with these words: "the Word of the Lord remains forever. How can these words help you move through the coming week living with faith in God's promises?



SEPT 26 | LIVING WITH PURPOSE

- 1. What is the pure spiritual milk that Peter talks about in 1 Peter 2:2?

 Do you long for it like an infant longs for its mother's milk? Why or why not?
- 2. What does it mean to you to be a living stone a building block in the God's spiritual house. His Church?
- 3. In 1 Peter 2:9, what four terms does Peter use to describe those who believe in Him? Using your own words, describe how God sees you?
- 4. How does God's view of you help you live with purpose?
- 5. How would you describe your purpose in life in this moment in time? Do you think God would agree with you?



OCT 3 | LIVING IN FREEDOM

- 1. As you live in this world with all of its temptations, how can you keep your testimony credible and admirable to those who do not believe in Jesus?
- 2. Describe a time when you used your Christian freedom to excuse a sinful action? How could you have made a God-pleasing choice instead?
- 3. Have you ever suffered injustice for speaking or living your faith? Have you ever been the victim of unjust gossip or false accusations?
- 4. How can you follow in Jesus' example when you suffer injustice?
- 5. How has Jesus' suffering and death benefited you?

 Take some time to praise Him for all He has done for you.



OCT 10 | LIVING WITH HONOR

- 1. How can you show honor to someone else with your words? With your actions? With your thoughts?
- 2. Why is showing honor and respect to a non-Christian husband so important?
- 3. How do you try to bring honor to yourself with external things?
- 4. How do these external things compete with the internal work of the Holy Spirit in your life?
- 5. What is the connection between your faith and living with honor in your marriage and family?



OCT 17 | LIVING WITH LOVE

- 1. Read 1 Peter 3:8-12. What unifies and identifies us as Christian brothers and sisters?
- 2. Share a time when you have been made fun of or looked down upon for living as a Christian. How did you cope with the situation?
- 3. Why does God allow us to experience persecution for our faith? What is His promise to us when we find ourselves sin these difficult situations?
- 4. What is your answer "to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you" (1 Peter 3:15)?
- 5. We don't get a free pass to heaven because we have suffered for our faith. What is the only way to enter heaven?
- 6. Compare what you know about Baptism with what you know about the Flood. What similarities do you find?
- 7. Where is Jesus today? What is He doing?



OCT 24 | LIVING FOR GOD

- 1. Why is it so challenging to give up our human desires in order to live for God?
- 2. What is the purpose of the spiritual gifts that God gives us? What keeps you from serving others? What motivates you to serve?
- 3. Have you ever been mocked, marginalized socially, discriminated against, or mistreated because you a Christian? Why is suffering like Jesus a reason to rejoice and be glad?
- 4. Describe a time when God allowed suffering in your life in order to accomplish something good. How long did it take you to discover the good?
- 5. How can you trust God in the middle of difficult times? Who can you ask for help?



OCT 31 | LIVING IN HUMILITY

- 1. As 1 Peter 5 begins, what advice does Peter give church leaders? What does Peter say about humility to other Christians?
- 2. What is the danger of not being aware of the reality of the devil and his power? How can you resist the devil and stand firm in your faith?
- 3. What is the connection between living in humility and handing your anxiety over to God?
- 4. 1 Peter ends with a call to Christians to stand firm in God's grace. How and where will you find the strength to stand firm in the face of persecution, suffering, trials, and temptations?
- 5. What is the most transformative thing you discovered in the Real Life sermon series?