

Virtual Small Group Discussion

1 Peter 4.1–6

Don't Flee to Comfort



Getting Started

- Context Summary: Jesus has defeated sin and death. Our hope is in him. Regardless of the suffering we may experience in this life for his name's sake, we can be assured that we too have been vindicated through Christ's work.
- By looking at another's life, do you think it is easy to know whether or not they are a Christian?

Static Questions

• WHAT IS THE PASSAGE ABOUT?

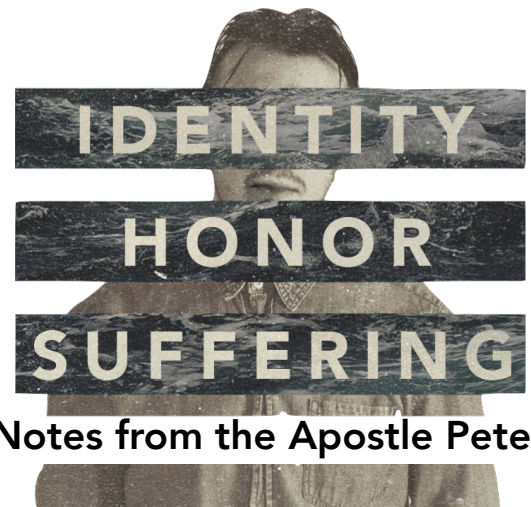
- Note the key details (Who, What, When, Where, Why, etc.)
- Pay attention to the main *Facts* of the passage.

• WHAT DID YOU LEARN?

- What does the passage reveal about God? About people?
- Is there a promise or a command or a warning?
- What is the main truth of the passage?
- What lessons do you see?

• HOW WILL YOU APPLY IT?

- How does this passage relate to your life right now?
- What change in your thinking or behavior is needed to align with the truths in this passage?
- How should you respond based on what you learned?



From the Teaching this Morning

- In verse 2 Peter gives us the key to living our lives. What is it?
 - As you reflect on that way to live our lives, how do you see that practically happening in your life?
 - In what ways do you see that you have been pursuing the will of God rather than the will of man? Where do you struggle?
- In verse 4 Peter describes the stark difference in the way a Christian should live in comparison to the rest of the world. Has anyone ever been surprised—or offended—when you decided not to do something due to your faith? Share the story.

APPLICATION QUESTION

- What are some ways you can model this distinction in your life this week? What opportunities might you have to live with greater understanding, compassion, and active care for others this week?