



THRIVE CHURCH

GROWTH GROUP STUDY GUIDE | **SERIES: STRANGERS IN A STRANGE LAND**
TITLE: HOPE THAT GUIDES
SCRIPTURE: 1 PETER 1.13-21

One Thing Follow-up:

As Christians we may feel like strangers in a strange land, but tomorrow's hope gives light to today's struggles.

Our hope is rooted in Jesus Christ. Knowing how things end should change how we live today.

Q. How did this information impact you last week?

Opening

As Christians, our values and priorities often run different than the culture. We may feel like strangers in a strange land. Ultimately, we know our citizenship is in heaven. How do we live as people "in the world, but not of the world"?

Series Review

We are beginning our "Strangers in a Strange Land" series. We will examine 1 Peter. This book was written by the Apostle Peter while he was living in Rome, near the end of his life. He wrote to Christians, "living in exile," struggling with the clash of their culture and their faith. In this text, Peter reminds the church that tomorrow's hope guides our lives today.

Review the Message

Read 1 Peter 1.13

Q. How does the knowledge that Jesus will someday make everything right affect your thoughts and actions?

Q. Have you made the decision to roll-up your sleeves and get to it?

Read 1 Peter 1.14-16

Q. Name something that you know now that you didn't know when you first became a Christian. How has that knowledge changed your behavior?

It's easy to figure out what makes up holiness. It's all the ways we hope God will treat us.



Q. When it comes to holiness in our lives, what is your strength? Your weakness?

Read 1 Peter 1.17-21

Q. How should we conduct ourselves in the world according to these verses?

Q. What does it mean to be redeemed?

**Living It Out
Application**

As strangers in a strange land, we need to learn how to be Christians in the world.

1. Roll your sleeves up and set your mind on hope.
2. Mold your life around the character of God.
3. Live with a holy reverence of God.

What is God saying to you through this lesson?

What will you do about it this coming week?

How can we help you?

Prayer:

Q. Are there any specific things we need to pray about or needs to focus on?