



THRIVE CHURCH

GROWTH GROUP STUDY GUIDE | **SERIES: STRANGERS IN A STRANGE LAND**
TITLE: HOPE COMES HOME
SCRIPTURE: 1 PETER 3.1-7

One Thing Follow-up:

God has redeemed you from a life of slavery and has made you his child.

Q. How did this truth affect you on a week-to-week basis? Does it?

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 continuing our "Strangers in a Strange Land" series. We are examining the book of 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 will demonstrate how hope works in every aspect of life.

Review the Message

Jesus crosses gender and race lines and treats people with dignity like they were valuable simply because they are made in the image of God. His followers do the same.

Read 1 Peter 3.1-2

Q How hard is it for you to submit? Government? Others? Spouse?

Q. Why is submission difficult?

Q. Have you ever had someone react to you leading “a simple life of love and good deeds”?

Q. Explain a time when you have seen the Gospel change a family situation?

Read 1 Peter 3.3-4

Q. Have you fallen into the trap of the stereotype about weight, a fashion style, or a look?

Q. How are you doing with living a life with a gentle and quiet spirit?

Read 1 Peter 3.5-6

Q. How does following Scripture bring you into the line of the faithful people of Scripture?

Read 1 Peter 3:7

Q. In what ways does a husband honor his wife?

Q. Why is it important for husbands to honor their wives?

Q. What does Peter mean when he says prayers will be hindered?

Q. Have you ever felt as if your prayers were hindered? Was the feeling justified?

**Living It Out
Application**

We should have a priority of evangelism and recognize that the way we treat others affects our prayer life.

Q. What is God saying to you through this lesson?

Q. What will you do about it this coming week?

Q. How can we help you?

Prayer:

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