

GROWTH GROUP QUESTIONS WEEK OF JULY 6, 2014

What to Do in the Crucible: Strive for Holiness

I Peter 1:13-25

Take a little time to review this week's sermon. Using your sermon notes and your Bible, answer the following questions before the group meeting. Write out your answers so you'll feel more comfortable sharing them with the group. Have a great time!

I. Getting to Know You

Have you ever received training/instructions that seemed irrelevant, but later turned out to be very appropriate?

II. Digging Deeper

1. How would you define holiness (use any Bible verses you know that informs your definition)?
2. How does/should God being both Father and Judge impact our relationship to Him (verse 7)?
3. Note the different times our salvation is mentioned in this passage (13-25). Why do you think Peter references it so often?

4. How can 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 help us understand or practice I Peter 1:13?

III. Making it Personal

5. Can pursuing holiness really help us to deal with life's difficulties?
6. I Peter 1:22 calls us to love others even in our difficulties. How can this help us to cope with/overcome difficulties? Think of a way you can show love to someone at church this week.
7. List 2 or 3 practical steps you can take this week that will help you in your pursuit of holiness.

IV. Prayer