

FOUNDATIONS
FOR THE NEW YEAR
STUDY GUIDE

Gospel Change

1 Peter 4.1-6

WELCOME & SHARING

Announcements...

- January Playdate | Tuesday, January 31st 9:30-11:30a

Meeting at Martha Tamblyn's home (871 Zan Ct, 45226). For more info about this group and future playdates, please visit The City and check out the New City Playgroup. Contact Martha with any questions: 404-509-5171.

- Early Morning Women's Bible Study | Beginning Friday, February 3rd 6-7a

Ladies, join us at the home of Angelica Schmitter (2332 Robertson Ave, 45212) for a 12 week early morning study on the book of Isaiah. We will be working through the "Knowing the Bible" study together. Coffee will be provided! Visit the New City Women's group on The City for more details.

- New City Guys Breakfast & Bowling | Friday, February 17th 7a @ Madison Bowl

Gentlemen...come dig on some delicious diner breakfast AND bowl a game before moving on with your day. RSVP on the City so we can tell them how many lanes we'll need.

Opener Question: Did you make any New Year's Resolutions? What were they and why? If not, what resolution WOULD you have made (if you did such things)?

STUDY/DISCUSSION

To start 2017 we're walking through Matthew 14-18 where Jesus lays down some "first principles" or foundational ideas for his disciples. However, this week we took a little detour to consider 1 Peter 4.1-6.

Read: 1 Peter 4.1-6.

1. On Sunday Josh said, "It's okay not to be okay. But it's not okay to stay that way." What does that mean?
2. Verses 1-2 - What kind of life is Peter calling us to?
3. Verses 3-4 - What obstacles are there to living this kind of life?
4. How can doing life together in community help you in trying to live this way?
5. Verses 5-6 - What motivations does Peter give for holy living?
6. What does it mean to "preach the gospel to yourself" when you're dealing with temptation? In other words, how does contemplating the sufferings of Christ for you motivate you to live for him?
7. What is one way that you want to grow with God this year?

8. NEIGHBORING EXPERIMENT OF THE MONTH: Find a common interest with neighbors and get together for the live event (i.e. Super Bowl, Oscars, Daytona 500, college basketball, etc.)

PRAYER

Take some time and pray together: You can pray as a large group, break into smaller groups, split up into men and women, etc. If you share prayer requests, post them to the City so that your group can continue to be praying for each other.