

Life Group Discussion Guide

4. Live on! (1 Peter 4:6).

5. Pray - this will all end someday (1 Peter 4:7).

6. Love! Love again and again. Each other. Love so that the offense becomes secondary and your words become graciously life-giving (1 Peter 4:8; Ecclesiastes 7:20-22; Proverbs; 1 Corinthians 13).

7. An open heart means an open home: open your houses to each other and don't grumble about it (1 Peter 4:9).

8. Find some people to serve and serve them well, in the same fashion as you would serve a King (1 Peter 4:10-11).

9. Live so that God is esteemed as a good and awesome King by all who observe (1 Peter 4:11).

1. Why is it so hard to live rightly among those who live wrongly? How does living rightly help in evangelism?

2. Here are some excerpts from Kevin DeYoung's book, *The Hole in Our Holiness*. Is he right? Discuss.

*How's this for a rule - don't do with another guy or girl what you wouldn't do with your brother or sister...
1 Timothy 5:1-2 .*

What is important is to understand that the Bible has no category of dating where people who aren't married can kinda-sorta start acting in some ways like they are.

We have to take a hard look at the things we choose to put in front of our faces. If there was a couple engaged in sexual activity on a couch in front of you, would you pull up a seat to watch? No, that would be perverse, voyeuristic. Why is it different when people record it first and then you watch?

3. What are some concrete steps you can take to be more committed to God and not committed to the entertainment culture?

4. How can single people encourage married couples to be married rightly? How can married couples encourage single people to be single rightly?

5. Why is holy living both repulsive and attractive to the non-Christian? Can believers be "too holy"?

<http://www.vergenetwork.org/2013/04/01/what-is-worth-losing-everything-for-david-platt/>

“What is the Will of God for Me?”

1 Peter 4:1-11

The Christian way is different...Christ says, “Give me all. I don’t want so much of your time and so much of your money and so much of your work: I want you. I have not come to torment your natural self, but to kill it. No half-measures are any good. I don’t want to cut off a branch here and a branch there, I want to have the whole tree down. I don’t want to drill the tooth, or crop it or stop it, but to have it out. Hand over the whole natural self, all the desires which you think innocent as well as the ones you think wicked - the whole outfit.” C.S. Lewis

1. Jesus is much more than a good hunch so make the choice - lose everything for the King (1 Peter 4:1,11; John 12:27-28).
2. Vigorously expurgate sin and sinning (1 Peter 4:1-3; 2 Corinthians 4:16-18; Ephesians 5:1ff; Titus 2:11-12).
3. You can forget paying back the opposition. Those who inflict suffering will be judged by God (1 Peter 4:5; 2:23; Romans 12:19; 1 Thessalonians 1).

Questions about the sermon?
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