

Week 10: I Peter 3: 13-17

LOOK BACK

- 1. Take some time and share a highlight and a challenge from last week.
- 2. Spend a little time sharing how you're seeing God work in your life right now.

LOOK UP

Read I Peter 3:13-17

v.13

Read Proverbs 16:7

How does this apply to the rhetorical question Peter asks?

Is most of your suffering due to your own sin, our fallen world, or others that do you harm?

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See James 5:7-11

How does this verse inform us with regard to suffering?

See Matthew 10:28

What are we to practice according to this verse?

Why are we as Christians often on the defensive instead of the offensive?

Instead of fearing the unbeliever we are to:

v.15

Regard Christ as holy. What does this mean? How are we to do this?

Respond to the following:

"Once the holiness of Christ is established in the heart, all of our decision-making flows from that position."

Are you able to give an explanation of the Gospel? If not, why not?

As we see others, even unbelievers, as created in the image of God it will transform how we interact with our adversaries.

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How is verse 16 even possible apart from our testimony and our behavior aligning?

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Respond to the following:

"Suffering may come, and if it does be sure it comes for your righteous deeds and know that it comes under the control of the Sovereign God who loves you."

LOOK FORWARD

- 1. What from this passage changes the way you see the upcoming week?
- 2. How can the group be praying for you this week?