

Community Groups – November 13, 2016

Getting Started (15 minutes)

Have you ever been to another country, especially one where you didn't speak the language? What did it feel like to be a foreigner?

Talking It Through (25 minutes)

1. Review the sermon from Sunday: What was the main text and the main point? What was the sermon all about?

2. In verses 11 & 12, what were the two actions that must be kept together? What do you think happens if one is done without the other?

3. Reread I Peter 2:13-17. What was the government like for the original readers? Why is this important to keep in mind?

4. Can you describe a wartime mentality? What do you think makes it difficult for Christians to adopt a wartime mentality?

Going Further (10 minutes—or as time allows)

5. In ancient times, one of the reasons Christians were vilified was the belief that their failure to worship pagan deities brought bad fortune from the gods. What are some modern ways Christians are presented negatively?

6. Discuss the following statement by preacher David Helm: “Submission to the authorities is the strongest apologetic against the view that Christians are never up to any good.” As you discuss, consider Titus 2:7, 2:14, 3:8.

Taking It Home (10 minutes)

Our culture says things like “express yourself, don't change for anyone, you only live once!” How does today's text challenge a Christian to live differently? Give an example of what this looks like an area of your life (at work, at school, in a social setting, etc.)

Time to PRAY (10 minutes)

(Or do this at the beginning of your group time)

Take time to share prayer requests that relate to the people in your group, and then pray for those needs.

Are We In a Battle? Yes!

I Peter 2:11-17

Pastor Tyler Pease

Next Sunday:

November 20, 2016

“Make PRAISE a
Core Life-Commitment!”

Psalm 103 (Pastor Jay Mosser)