SCC Small Group Study – April 30, 2023 Dr. Scott Koenigsaecker A Beautiful Kingdom Day 1 Peter 5:1-7

Getting Started:

Did you participate in Beautiful Day this year? If so, what was a favorite part of it for you?

What mindset is needed to have the positive attitudes Pastor Scott was talking about? What needs to be overcome to get there?

Searching the Scriptures:

Read 1 Peter 5:1-4

- A. Why do you think Peter appeals to other church leaders in this way, by stating he is a "fellow elder"?
- B. What words come to mind when you think of God as the "model Shepherd"? (if you can't think of anything, look up Psalm 23).
- C. What does it mean for Christians to "care for the flock"?

Peter chooses to contrast several different kinds of attitudes one can have as a leader of others.

- Grudgingly vs. Willingly
- Personal gain vs. Eagerness to serve God
- Lording it over vs. Being an example.

- D. Have you ever been tempted by the former attitudes in your parenting, work, or other roles? What circumstances tend to move us to these more negative states?
- E. What do you think Peter means by "crown of never ending glory and honor"?

Read 1 Peter 5:5-7

- F. How do you define humility?
- G. Have you ever received favor for taking the humble road, when you could have been more outspoken and forceful?

Application of Scripture:

A. How do you balance entrusting your worries and cares to God with taking action to solve problems?

B. Where do you need to humble yourself under God?