

SCC Small Group Discussion
Full Steam Ahead: The Master's Way

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Getting Started:

Opener: What is something you used to enjoy that is now a turn off?

Searching the Scriptures:

Read 1 Peter 4:1-6

1. What does it mean to have the same attitude (or same mind) as Jesus in our suffering? How does Jesus' example help us during difficulties?

2. One idea from this section is that suffering improves one's moral life. Have you found this to be the case?

3. Why would suffering cause us to be finished with sin? What does that actually mean practically?

4. Have you ever felt ridicule for stopping some of the behaviors you used to do before trusting in Jesus? If so, how did this affect you?

5. According to this section, how is the threat of God's judgment a motivator for a person who does not believe? Why is hearing the Good News of Jesus an integral part of this process?

Read 1 Peter 4:7-9

6. When you hear someone say “the end of the world is near” how do you respond? Why might it be good to live each day with the expectation that Jesus could return at any time?

7. Notice Peter’s instructions on how to live in the last days: prayer, love and hospitality. Imagine a catastrophe fell on our society. How would these characteristics be especially important in leading people to Jesus? And how would they contrast with people’s self-preservation in crisis.

Read 1 Peter 4:10-11

8. Can you think of something you do on a regular basis that gives glory to God? Does it fit into the category of a spiritual gift?

Application

What has been your experience of people’s response when they find out you are a Christian. Is it usually positive or negative?

What motivates you to serve? Is it encouragement, seeing lives changed, other?

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