



Pt 5: Promise

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Icebreaker: What's one promise - big or small - you've kept that you're still proud of?

1. Read I Peter 3:1-12. Peter says a spouse can be "won without a word" by conduct alone (vv. 1-2). Where in your life right now is God maybe asking your actions to preach a sermon your words can't – with a coworker, a family member, or a friend?
2. The sermon contrasted external adorning (v.3) with "the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit" (v.4). Honestly, are you investing more energy in how you appear to others, or in the hidden condition of your heart? What's one small way to tend the second one this week?
3. In vv. 5-6, Sarah's respect for Abraham is rooted in hope, not fear ("do not fear anything that is frightening"). Is there a relationship in your life right now - marriage, family, work - where your posture toward someone comes more from intimidation than trust in God? What would shifting that actually look like?
4. I Peter 3:9 repeats the exact phrase from 2:21 ("to this you were called") tying last week's call to follow Jesus' example to this week's call to bless instead of retaliate. Think of someone who's recently wronged or misunderstood you. What would it actually look like to bless them this week instead of returning it?
5. This week's challenge was to notice and say one specific thing you appreciate about someone every day. Who's that person for you, and why do you think that kind of appreciation doesn't come naturally, even for people we love?
6. For Married Couples: Verse 7 ties a husband's treatment of his wife directly to whether his prayers are "hindered." What's one specific way you could honor your spouse this week that might also deepen your own walk with God?