



**Text: 1 Peter 1:13-25**

**Big Idea:** We are to reject the desires of our former self. Instead, we are set apart (holy) because God is holy. To do that we need to recognize:

- God is not like you.
- You are to be devoted to God.
- God's devotion motivates our devotion.

**Discussion Questions:**

1. God's Word uses human metaphors (e.g. Father, Shepherd) to describe who He is. How do these metaphors help you understand who God is? How do metaphors limit your understanding?
2. What parts of your life do you find are devoted to God? What parts of your life are you retaining?
3. What are steps you can take to live more fully with gratitude for your salvation?
4. Time permitting, share thoughts on the following three foundations in this passage for determining whether an action is right or wrong.<sup>1</sup>
  - Does it conform to the character of God?
  - Is it the natural outcome of a life that has benefited from the salvation of God?
  - Will it stand up to God's scrutiny in that final day when He ushers us into His glorious presence?

<sup>1</sup> Taken from The NIV Application Commentary on 1 Peter by Scot McKnight