



It's important that God's Word continues after the message. At Celebrate, we find that you will quite often talk over this week's message long after our experience is over. That's because God has impact. The Sermon Discussion Guide is designed to help you continue the conversation all week.

### **Three Keys to LIVING PROPERLY:**

Discuss the statement: "It's the hope of dying that's keeping me alive."

#### **1. Live - to Create Curiosity.**

How does the realization that this is not our home (just a rental) affect our choices? God wants our lives to be a witness of His love. Pastor Keith stated that we may be the only Jesus, or the only Bible, that people encounter, or read, today. What is it then about us that should raise the curiosity of others that allows them to see Christ living in us?

*Matthew 5:14-16; Ephesians 5:1-7; Philippians 3:20; Hebrews 12:1-3; 1 Peter 2:12*

#### **2. Live - to Counter Culture.**

Discuss the point that Pastor Keith shared with us in that we can give more glory to God in the challenges of life than we ever can in its comforts.

He also shared the statement that "Christians are like tea bags; you don't really know what they are like until they are put in hot water." Give examples of what that means or looks like in your life.

Worldly desires are called lust of the flesh, and pride of life. In what areas does our culture have the strongest pull on you? How can you overcome those strangulations in your life?

*1 Peter 2:11; 1 John 2:16; Revelation 21:3*

#### **3. Live - to Copy Christ.**

Suffering is a part of life, but we do not have to let that own us as Christians. We know that Jesus suffered tremendously, and never said a word about it. He is our role model. How then should we live when we are in the midst of suffering? How can we be of help to our brothers and sisters in Christ and also of those still in the world that are in need?

*Acts 5:41; Romans 8:17; 1 Timothy 1: 7-12*

### **What's Next**

- Try to memorize 1 Peter 2:21-23.
- Identify and implement one thing that you can do to create curiosity about the God that you serve.
- To the best of your ability copy Christ and live counter-culturally!