

sermon discussion

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MAIN POINTS & KEY SCRIPTURES

1 Peter 1:14

In the gap, let our Father's way form us.

- 1 Peter 1:14-16

Don't conform to your old ignorant ways.

- 1 Peter 1:14-16
- James 5:16
- 1 Peter 1:14-16

Let your Father's different way form you.

- John 13:34
- 1 Peter 1:17

Let a *healthy fear* of our Father's way form us.

- 1 Peter 1:17-19
- John 3:16

Let the Father's love form you.

- 1 Peter 1:20-21

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. You can pretty well guess whose family a kid belongs to. All its members seem to have certain characteristics in common—physical features, fashion choices, speech patterns, behaviors, personalities. What are some of the characteristics common to your family?
2. **Read 1 Peter 1:13-16.** The word “therefore” is a pivotal bridge between what Peter has just stated regarding the living hope we already have as Christ-followers and a time in the not-too-distant future when Jesus Christ returns and we, as believers, enter into the reality of that hope. In light of this, how does Peter call us to live?
3. **Read 1 John 3:5-9.** Why did Jesus come to earth? What should this teach us about how we should act and conduct our lives?
4. **Read Philippians 2:12-13.** In what sense does God work in us to will and to work for His good pleasure?
5. **Read 1 Peter 1:17-19.** According to verse 17, what should be your motive for living a holy life as you await His return? How seriously would you say you're currently taking your spiritual character development?
6. In Ephesians 4:17-5:16, Paul repeats the concept of “putting off” and “putting on” (4:22-24). To which of the worldly desires that Pastor Greg mentioned do you find yourself drawn?
7. As an obedient child of God, which behavior from your former way of life do you believe God would have you “put off”? What specific behavior would He want you to “put on” in its place this week that would more accurately represent His holiness?

GOING FURTHER

MEMORIZE: *But as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”* **1 Peter 1:15-16**

READ: *Trusting God* by Jerry Bridges OR *Walking with God through Pain and Suffering* by Timothy Keller

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