

ALIEN LIFE

1 PETER

SERIES OVERVIEW

"If we find in ourselves a desire that nothing in this world can satisfy, then it must be that we were made for a different world." -C.S. Lewis

Have you ever found life difficult, or this world to be a challenging place to live and belong? 1 Peter encourages us to take hold of the hope and power that we have because of Jesus. Keep going, home is closer than you think.

MAIN TEXT

1 Peter 3:1-12, Proverbs 31:10-12, 25-30, Ephesians 5:21, 1 Timothy 3:4-5

GETTING STARTED

What's one attribute or characteristic about you, that tells where you came from or where you grew up?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Read 1 Peter 3:1-7. What stands out to you most from this text? What stood out to you most from the message?
2. Read 1 Peter 3:1-2. How does submitting and honoring others point them to Jesus? Who do you know models this well?
3. Read 1 Peter 3:3-4. Peter says not to put our trust in the external. Do you ever put too much emphasis on physical health or appearance about yourself or about others? What kind of daily preparation do you do for your inward self?
4. Read 1 Peter 3:5-6. Sarah submitted to Abraham, not because she trusted him, but ultimately because she trusted God. Do you ever put too much trust or hope in your spouse, significant other, or friends? Have you ever looked to a person for what only God can provide?
5. Read Proverbs 31:10-12. Do you tend to focus more on others weaknesses, or more on their strengths?

6. Read Ephesians 5:21. What does it mean for husbands and for wives to submit to one another? When is this most difficult? Where have you seen this modeled well?
7. Read 1 Peter 3:7. Men are to be understanding and considerate of their wives. Considerate of their souls, minds, and emotions. What are some ways they can do this? What is the biggest barrier to this happening?
8. The people closest to you, your family, friends, significant other, should magnify your spiritual gifts instead of suffocate them? What can others do that would help you use your individual gifts?

NEXT STEPS

Read 1 Peter 3:8-12. Discuss how Jesus exemplified each of these things. Discuss how you can practice each of these things this week in your closest relationships.

- Be on the same team
- Don't retaliate, compensate
- Try on each others shoes
- Bite your tongue
- Stay tender. Stay humble
- Look for beauty

This week spend time reading and praying over each of these scriptures and allow God to use them to direct you and encourage you as you live as temporary residents here.

DAILY READING

- 1 Peter 3:1-2 (Submissive Life)
- 1 Peter 3:3-4 (Where Beauty Comes From)
- 1 Peter 3:5-6 (Trust In God)
- 1 Peter 3:7 (Honor. Understanding. Equals.)
- 1 Peter 3:8-12 (Living Love)

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