Discussion Questions

INTRODUCTION

Get a grip. Stand firm. Hold tight. We say these expressions to others as encouragement to remain on solid ground. Have you considered what type of foundation your life is built on?

GETTING STARTED

- 1. How have you seen our country change in the past 15 years? What changes are better? Which changes are worse?
- 2. Think about and discuss a time/situation when you felt extremely isolated yet later realized that you were not alone.

BIBLE IDEA

- 3. Read 1 Peter 2:1-2. As the Lord removes the junk, what do we become open to adding into our lives? Think of some practical ways to empty yourself of sinful behaviors to experience more of God's goodness.
- 4. Read 1 Peter 1:5 & Ephesians 2:19-22. What happens to us when we build our lives on the foundation of Christ (vs. 21)? How has being in a community group at church strengthened your walk with Jesus?
- 5. Read 1 Peter 2:6-8 & Matthew 7:24-27. Talk about one area of your life that could be moved to a more solid foundation. How do you think this would improve your walk with God? With others?
- 6. Read 1 Peter 2:9-10 & Colossians 3:1-3. Which aspect of following Jesus appeals to you, which one seems difficult to adhere to, and why? Identify and discuss your true nature as a follower of Jesus.

NEXT STEPS

 Identify one action step to take so that you can fearlessly settle on the solid foundation of Jesus (i.e. trust the Lord to care for your children, rely on the Lord to help you give up a bad habit, place your marriage in the Lord's hands, trust in the Lord's direction for a new job, etc.).