NOTES & QUOTES



CONNECT (BUILD RELATIONSHIPS)

- 1. As a child or teenager did you ever have a crush on someone (perhaps someone famous) who you thought was amazing and the ideal boyfriend or girlfriend? What did you find so attractive about them?
- 2. In 1 Peter chapters 2 and 3, Peter teaches about the need as Christians to practice submission to governing authorities, submission in marriage and submission in the church. Which do you find the hardest to practice? Why?
- 3. How would you define submission in practical terms? Why do you think it is such an essential part of living out our faith as children of God?

THRIVE (EXPLORE BIBLICAL TRUTH)

- 4. Read 1 Peter 3:1-7. How would you summarize Peter's instructions to wives and husbands? Why do you think he emphasizes different behaviors to each?
- 5. What would a marriage built on mutual submission and loving consideration look like?
- 6. Married or not, what qualities can you identify in this passage, which you would like to build into your life?

- 7. Read 1 Peter 3:8-15. Have you experienced times where the church you were part of experienced relational harmony and chose to live in peace with one another? Describe. What impact might we have on our church community if we lived out this teaching?
- 8. How does the quote from Psalm 34 sum up all Peter has said in 2:11-3:9?

COMMIT (BE ON MISSION)

- 9. What should our attitude be towards outward adornments like those mentioned in 1 Peter 3:3? Are beautiful things bad/spiritually harmful? Why is inner beauty and "a gentle and quiet spirit" of "great worth in God's sight"? (3:4) How might this play out in married life?
- 10. Sometimes seeking peace with others can be viewed as being soft on truth. How can pursuing both be held as a priority? Why is this a higher calling than just standing on truth alone.
- 11. Where have you been insulted and tempted to repay evil with evil? How might God be calling you to extend a blessing to those who have hurt you? What is the blessing we receive from God when we do so?

PAUSE, PONDER & PRAY

"Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble."

1 Peter 3:8