

## **Message-based Study**

### **Connection**

When was a time in your life you felt the Lord urging you to do something?

### **Content**

Perhaps Peter's greatest takeaway from these letters is: "Stand firm in Christ."

Next to Jesus, Peter has the most written about him in Scripture of any man, and was one of His faithful apostles.

1. What is your understanding of Peter?

### **Peter's Process**

1. The Warning - Luke 22
2. The Opportunity - Matthew 26
3. The Failure - Matthew 26
4. The Restoration - John 21
5. The Results - Acts 1-5

2. Peter's process can be similar to what we experience in our lives. How has the life of Peter looked similar to the process God has used in your life?

3. Read 1 Peter 1:1-7. Peter begins by reminding his readers that we are set apart, sanctified as Christians. What does Peter mean by this?

4. What we are living now is not our best life. Our best life, our greatest hope, is in Christ. What inheritance is waiting for you in Heaven and what are your thoughts of Heaven?

5. Read James 1:2-4, Romans 5:3-4 and 2 Corinthians 12:7-10. Why should we delight in hardships that we face?

6. What is a hardship you faced recently? Can you see any fruit that came from it?

### **Commitment**

7. Peter's lessons on trials:

- Trials will come.
- Trials transform our character.
- God uses broken people.
- Jesus is our example.
- God is faithful.

What lesson of Peter's is something you can pray over this week?

How can you this week spend time in the word and with God to grow in it.

### **Challenge Assignment:**

This week, memorize 1 Peter 1:8:

"Though you have not seen Him, you love Him;  
and even though you do not see Him now, you believe in Him  
and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy."