

COMMUNITY

Take some time to discuss the effect our attitudes have on our actions. How does your attitude affect your decisions on a daily basis? How does your attitude affect your endurance in difficult times?

PRAYER

Spend some time in prayer for our mothers! Where would we be without them? Thank God for His design for marriage and for the mothers/mother-figures He has placed in your life. Pray that the Lord would bless them this week

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Read 1 Peter 4:1-6

1. In verse 1, Peter calls his readers to “arm yourselves with the same attitude.” What, specifically, is the attitude that Peter is telling us that we should to have?
2. Most of the time—our immediate response to suffering is one of questioning, or even shock. We often think, “How could this be happening to me?” Or “What did I do to deserve this?” How might this attitude that Peter is calling us to adopt change the way we view or respond to suffering when it comes?
3. How can we expect “the world” to respond to us when we stop “doing what Pagans (unbelievers) choose to do”?

4. Peter is most likely talking about Christian martyrs in verse 6. How might their lives have been judged in the flesh by human standards? Are you prepared to be “judged” by human standards as you seek to live according to God’s will?

Read 1 Peter 4:7-11

5. What do you think Peter means when he states that “the end of all things is near”?
 - a. Might a “translation” of this verse be—“Your life is going to be over sooner than you think!”? Is living each day as if it were our last an “attitude” that God wants us to have?
 - b. According to the second half of verse 7, what should be the result of a “short” view of life?
6. Take a look at verses 9-11. Does this describe Trinity? Does this describe you? Which of these listed things is most difficult for you?
7. Take a moment to pray for one another.