

## I Peter – A Story of WE

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I Peter 2:1-10

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### **Reflection & Discussion Questions**

#### **The true story of your life is not just a story of ME, it's a story of WE**

A story of a family...the family of God.

\*When have you felt like part of bigger family, sharing an unshakeable bond with others?

Read and discuss I Peter 2:1-3(ESV)

*<sup>2</sup> So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. <sup>2</sup> Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— <sup>3</sup> if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.*

\*What do these verses say about God? About us?

\*What does this passage say about how to thrive in a story of WE?

#### **We are now the Body of Christ**

We are like living stones, built up to be a spiritual house, a holy priesthood offering spiritual sacrifices.

Read and discuss I Peter 2:4-5(ESV)

*<sup>4</sup> As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, <sup>5</sup> you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.*

\*How is Peter using these word pictures to describe us?

#### **We are:**

A spiritual house – where the spirit of God dwells

A holy priesthood – with direct access to God

Sacrifices – just as Christ was the final sacrifice

\*How is living life with others part of your story right now? Where are you part of a community of believers?

\*How is the holy priesthood a part of your story right now? Who are you learning from? Who are you sharing with?

\*How are you being a living sacrifice in your story right now? Where are you loving, serving and pouring out for others?

\*Does your story look like a story of WE these days? Where might be Jesus be calling you to take a step towards this?

**Join us as we read through the book of I Peter this winter as a church**

[I Peter Reading Plan](#)

**January 10<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>:**

I Peter 2:1 – 3:7

**Visual reflection (Visio Divina)\***    [A Royal Priesthood](#) – Mark Lawrence

**Song for reflection**    [Cornerstone](#) by Worship Initiative with Shane & Shane

\*Visio divina – a thoughtful and slow way of contemplating a visual prompt like a piece of art, photograph or image and inviting God to speak to you through it. First, focus on the detail that your eyes are drawn to right away – keep focus there and pay attention to what thoughts and emotions you are having. Then, look at the entire image and consider it as a whole, being aware of thoughts, questions and emotions it provokes. End in silence and prayer, considering your experience and anything you feel called to respond to.