



# LIVING HOPE

A STUDY OF FIRST PETER

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## THIS IS GOD'S HOUSE

### #1 - GOD'S HOUSE MUST PRIORITIZE LOVING \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST

1 PETER 1:22-25

WHEN OUR CULTURE SAYS \_\_\_\_\_ PEOPLE, JESUS SAYS FORGIVE PEOPLE!

WHEN OUR CULTURE SAYS \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR ENEMIES, JESUS SAYS LOVE YOUR ENEMIES!

WHEN OUR CULTURE SAYS \_\_\_\_\_ IS THE HOPE OF THE WORLD, JESUS SAYS "I AM" THE HOPE OF THE WORLD!

*"The way we treat people we disagree with the most, is a report card on our faith."*

-Bob Goff

REVELATION 7:9-10

DIVERSIFY YOUR FRIENDSHIPS BECAUSE IT'S \_\_\_\_\_!

DIVERSIFY YOUR DINNER TABLE BECAUSE YOU WANT TO PREPARE FOR \_\_\_\_\_!

### #2 - GOD'S HOUSE MUST TAKE AN \_\_\_\_\_ INVENTORY

1 PETER 2:1

PSALM 139:23-24

#### 5 INTERNAL INVENTORY QUESTIONS:

1. MALICE - WHERE ARE THERE HATEFUL THOUGHTS OR EVIL ACTIONS AT WORK IN ME?
2. DECEIT - WHO AM I LYING TO AND TAKING ADVANTAGE OF?
3. HYPOCRISY - WHY AM I PRETENDING TO BE SOMEONE I AM NOT?

4. ENVY - HOW HAS JEALOUSY AND ENVY ROBBED ME OF ENJOYING WHAT GOD HAS GIVEN ME?

5. SLANDER - WHEN AM I USING MY WORDS TO DEGRADE AND DEHUMANIZE PEOPLE MADE IN GOD'S IMAGE?

### #3 - GOD'S HOUSE MUST \_\_\_\_\_ JESUS ABOVE ALL THINGS

1 PETER 2:2-3

YOU WILL \_\_\_\_\_ ON A REGULAR BASIS WHATEVER YOU \_\_\_\_\_ ON A REGULAR BASIS!

#### SPIRITUAL GROWTH ROAD MAP:

YOU WILL CRAVE GOD WHEN YOU SPEND TIME \_\_\_ GOD'S WORD \_\_\_\_\_ GOD'S PEOPLE \_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ GOD'S WORLD

*"Here's a better way to approach media consumption: Ask yourself if what you're watching or listening to helps or hinders your ability to love your neighbor. Does it make you feel more justified in your biases, or does it foster a sense of compassion in your heart?"*

-Miles McPherson

PSALM 10:1-3, 12-14, 17-18

### #4 - GOD'S HOUSE MUST \_\_\_\_\_ LIKE THE BUILDER

1 PETER 2:4-8

*"An average custom home takes about seven months to build. Of that time just over three weeks is needed to frame the house and put on the roof. The bulk of the time is used on finer carpentry and finishing items. While the outside of the house looks good rather quickly, intricate work that makes the inside of the house structurally sound and livable takes months to complete."*

-Stand Firm Devotional, "Under Construction"

HEBREWS 13:15-16

*"Peter drew the picture of the precious cornerstone from Isaiah 28:16 and the rejected capstone from Psalm 118:22. The cornerstone or foundation stone established the design and structure of the building. The capstone might describe a foundation stone or, more likely, the topmost piece, the finishing or crowning touch to the building. The point is that from beginning to end, the church is built on Jesus Christ. Jesus is both the foundation cornerstone on which His church is built and the capstone up to which it grows."*

-Holman Bible Commentary

### #5 - GOD'S HOUSE MUST \_\_\_\_\_ A NEW IDENTITY

1 PETER 2:9-10

**Fill in the blanks:** people, cancel, demonize, politics, heavenly, eternity, internal, crave, consume, in, with, to reach, look, embrace