

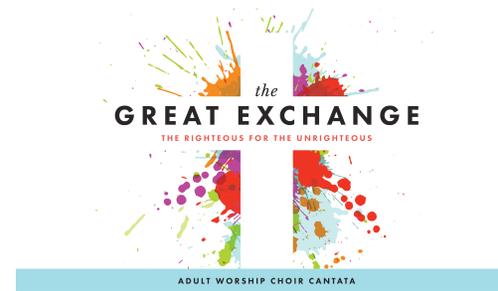
The Heart of the Matter

12. How is it really possible to live like verses 8-12?
13. What is the model for outreach that Peter gives in verses 15-16? What do you need to do to follow this model more completely?
14. What fears motivate people today? What fears affect our relationships? How does following Jesus as Lord free you from those fears?
15. How has your hope in Christ affected those around you? What needs to happen in your life for you to demonstrate your hope in Christ more effectively with others?

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Life Group Study Guide

(Life Groups Coming Fall 2017)

The Great Exchange Choir Cantata 1 Peter 3:8-22 For the Week of April 9, 2017

Getting Started

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling?
2. Growing up, what kinds of things did your family argue about?
3. Have you ever suffered for doing the right thing? What happened?

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Digging Deeper

4. Based on verses 1 Peter 3:8-12, how should we live if we want to “love life and see good days?”

5. How does the quote from Psalm 34 sum up all that Peter has said in 1 Peter 2:11-3:9?

6. In 1 Peter 3:13-14 how can suffering for doing what’s right be a blessing? What might this look like for us?

7. Why is the first part of verse 15 the key to following all that Peter says in this passage? What can we do to be better “prepared to give the reason for the hope” that we have?

8. In verse 18 how is Jesus righteous? How are we the unrighteous? How does Christ’s life, death and resurrection provide for us?

9. In contrast to Noah and his family who are the people that are being referred to in verses 19-20? In what ways was the water of the flood like the water of baptism?

10. What has Jesus accomplished for us through His resurrection? What are the dangers of only focusing on Jesus’ life and death and not on His resurrection too?

11. According to verse 22 who is Jesus with right now? Because of His ultimate authority, who or what is ultimately in submission to Christ right now?