

How to Stand in an Unstable Environment

1 Peter 2:4-10

1. Stand On _____

2. Stand In _____

3. Stand Out _____

At Home Study Guide

For the week of November 27, 2016

“How to Stand in an Unstable Environment” • 1 Peter 2:4-10

Quick Review

The work of the church in our world is spiritual formation and evangelistic outreach. We are called to make disciples who will make more disciples. In a culture that was quick to blame Christians for disaster and social ills, Peter responds with a call to stand firm in Christ. Peter’s audience was under attack by the government as a scape goat for some of the worst problems of their day. They were a minority and the leaders needed someone to blame. That church, like ours, was a group of sinful people who had turned to Jesus for salvation and were seeking to obey Jesus together. Like our church, life became messy as authenticity increased. In Christ, they are God’s treasured possession. In Christ, they are called to proclaim the beautiful work of Jesus. Peter reminds the church that they are the light of the world.

What stands out to you most about the message from Sunday?

Read 1 Peter 2:1-12. How does 2:1-3 set you up to better understand 4-10?

Peter’s application of 2:4-10 is 2:11-12 and following. Why is 2:9-10 so important for being able to apply what Peter is teaching?

In 2:9-10 the “you” is plural indicating the focus is on the church as a group of people. How is the application different when you realize this is about a group of people and not just you personally?

What will you do differently in light of the teaching this week? Turn what you’ve thought about and learned this week into an, “I will,” statement and share it with someone else.

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