

LIFEgroups

Open

Go around and let everyone share.

Share a time when you thought you knew better but later found out you really didn't.

DIG

What is one thing about which the world thinks it knows better than God?

What causes people reject wisdom and believe something contrary?

Read: 1 Peter 4.7-11

Peter begins to close his letter with some final instructions. The heart of it is the importance of a complete pursuit of God in all we do and not allowing anything to get in the way of our relationship with Him.

What are some things that tries to get in the way of our pursuit of Him?

What are the results of forsaking everything else to pursue a life in God's will?

Peter instructs us to cultivate our relationship with others through our love, hospitality, speech, and service.

What does our relationship with others have to do with our relationship with God?

How does this contradict the world's "wisdom" about the best way to live?

APPLY

It's easy to lose sight of the truth with so many convincing ways of thinking.

Is there an area about which you would like God to refine your way of thinking?

Close with a time of prayer.

Leader Notes

About This Guide

This is the 5th in a six part series on 1 Peter entitled "Apart from the World for the Sake of the World." It will focus on our willingness to have a different attitude towards the world than those of the world do.

Big Idea

This discussion reminds us of the way God wants us to pursue Him and His way of thinking on things. The world will try and convince us otherwise but God's wants us to remember His way always gets the best results.

Reaching Out

Our LIFE Groups are a great place to pour out the love we share into the lives of others. We can't keep this love and community to ourselves. Who do you know that might benefit from being part of your group? Share those names, pray for them, and ask God to give you the courage to talk to them about visiting your group.