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THIS WORLD IS NOT YOUR HOME. A STUDY OF 1 PETER

DIFFERENT CALLING IN A DARK WORLD – WEEK 3

Small Group Time:

Talking through the message during the week helps you and your group turn what God is saying to you into action steps. Begin with key questions, add any optional Scriptures and questions if needed, and then wrap up by deciding on your next steps.

Main Idea:

There's just something about being different that scares us to death. From the time we were kids, being different never turned out well, and from that point forward, we've avoided it at all costs. But what if "different" in the right ways is where your best life is? Doing the same things as everyone else gets us the same life as everyone else. But doing something different gets us a different kind of life.

Key Questions:

1. Who is someone you think of when you think of what it means to be a Christian?
2. With God, the WHO always comes before the DO. Why do you think this is so important?
3. Read **1 Peter 2:9-12**. What message does my life, as-is, send to people around me?
4. In what ways do you struggle to see yourself as God sees you?
5. What are you already doing that not just tells, but shows people God's goodness?
6. Do you ever find yourself getting defensive about your faith/beliefs? How can you live according to the principle Ben said – "a good offense is the best defense"? What do you need to keep doing to show people what you believe by how you behave not by what you say?
7. Read **1 Peter 3:9**. Who do you need to practice the 1 Peter 3:9 principle with most?

Next Steps:

- What's one thing you will do this week as a result of something you learned from this message?