

- Sing one or two songs from morning worship (printed in bulletin, available at [redeemerprestemple.org](http://redeemerprestemple.org) under the “Resources” tab)
- Read the Scripture passage
- Pray with a specific focus on people and situations in the group (spiritual growth, needs, encouragement, rejoicing)
- Pray for the truths discussed from the Scripture study to more deeply permeate our lives and empower us for service and mission together

## Discussion Questions

1. What are some of the ways that you have experienced the Christian life as a journey, or pilgrimage?
2. The Greeks and Romans engaged in many of these "human passions" as a part of the worship of their gods. What are the gods that our culture worships that lead us to pursue "human passions"?
3. Have you experienced friends or family members being surprised by, or even maligning, your new life in Christ? How did you react to that?
4. What makes the final judgment of God good news, and how does that help us endure suffering in our lives now?
5. How have you experienced God using suffering in your life to conform you more into the image of Christ?

## Announcements

- Pray for our friends and missionaries the Clows in Honduras

## 1 Peter 4:1-6

<sup>1</sup> Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves with the same way of thinking, for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, <sup>2</sup> so as to live for the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for human passions but for the will of God. <sup>3</sup> For the time that is past suffices for doing what the Gentiles want to do, living in sensuality, passions, drunkenness, orgies, drinking parties, and lawless idolatry. <sup>4</sup> With respect to this they are surprised when you do not join them in the same flood of debauchery, and they malign you; <sup>5</sup> but they will give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. <sup>6</sup> For this is why the gospel was preached even to those who are dead, that though judged in the flesh the way people are, they might live in the spirit the way God does.