**Men’s Equipping Course/First Peter Bible Study**

**Week Four Assignment: 2:1-12**

**From Pastor Chris**

**Overview:**

1. Ask God to open your eyes and heart to His word. Then read the passage slowly, out loud, five times. Use different translations if you find that helpful.
2. As you read, jot down observations, questions raised by the text and any immediate applications that come to mind.
3. After the fifth reading, write a one sentence summary of the passage that captures the big idea of this text. (Small group leaders, ask everyone to share their sentence).

**Questions on 2:1-3:**

1. Why did Peter begin this section with “Therefore …”
2. Would you have put the chapter break here? Why or why not?
3. What must happen first before we will long for God’s word like a newborn baby longs for milk?
4. What does God’s Word do for Christians?
5. Why is v.3 here?

**Questions on 2:4-12**

1. Identify all the ways Peter describes a believer? Beside each one, jot a phrase about how this makes you feel.
2. According to v.5, why did God save you? Elaborate on your answer.
3. What ONE overarching observation strikes you about this passage?
4. What is the great contrast between v.8 and v.9? How does this make you feel?
5. According to v.9, why did God save you?
6. What interpretation challenges do you see in this passage?

**Application Questions on 2:1-12**

1. How should you think and believe differently about yourself this week as a result of studying this passage?
2. How should you live and behave differently this week as a result of studying this passage?