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 <u>think and believe</u> differently about yourself this week as a result of studying this passage?
- 2. How should you <u>live and behave</u> differently this week as a result of studying this passage?