Men's Equipping Course/First Peter Bible Study Week Seven Assignment: 3:13-22

From Pastor Chris

- 1. Stop. Pray first. "Open my eyes Lord that I may behold wondrous things in Your word." Now slowly, carefully, out loud, read the passage several times until you feel you have a good grasp of what is being said. Use different translations to get a fuller understanding.
- 2. Oh boy. Imagine that you were preaching this passage and you need to discern the sermon big idea in this passage. Now, summarize the main point in one sentence.
- 3. What preliminary steps are necessary before we will be ready to share our hope with unbelievers? Why are these necessary? Are you generally ready to share the hope that is in you?
- 4. What attitude should we have when we are witnessing to those hostile to Christianity? Why is this so important? Why is this so hard?
- 5. Peter could have stopped at v.17 and the point was made. So big picture, why do you think vv. 18-22 are here? In other words, how does it fit in the context?
- 6. Write down the order of events related to Christ in vv.18-22. What do you observe from this list?
- 7. What is at the heart of baptism and how does this save us? What does baptism not accomplish? Have you been immersed (baptized) after your saving faith (conversion to Christ)?
- 8. Read thru the passage once more, write down one specific application you are committing to this week and then spend a few minutes talking to God about it.