

Grounded

Key idea:

Christians are called to be grounded in a Christ-centered identity as they experience the ups and downs of life.

Key text:

1 Peter 2:9 - 10

⁹ But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Key points:

- 1. Entering the presence of God brings the believer pleasure (Psalm 16:11).
- 2. Purity is only done through suffering (1 Peter 1:7-9).

Questions for discussion/application:

- 1. What part of Sunday's text and teaching stood out most to me? Why?
- 2. Why are Christians called to live live's of suffering?
- 3. Why does Peter use so many Old Testament titles to describe New Testament believers?
- 4. What is the significance of believers being called "stones?"
- 5. What was Peter's advice to those in unfair circumstances?

- 6. What is the significance of knowing your identity?
- 7. What does it mean to be holy?
- 8. Whom can I pray for, share what I have learned, and invite to church this week?

Preview of next week: Who is God (Revelation 4:6-11)