



1 & 2 PETER

PARKSIDE CHURCH COMMUNITY GROUPS

Review

In the last half of chapter 1 and the beginning of chapter 2 Peter taught us that as Christians we need to *look* forward to heaven, *live* as holy children, *love* one another, and *long* for the nourishment of the Word of God. In 2:4-10 Peter reveals that, as believers we are rejected by men but chosen by God, just like Christ was. In the balance of chapter 2 he explains how to live in such a way that we reflect the character of Christ and the nature of the gospel as people subject to authorities. In the first half of chapter 3 Peter reveals key principles of reflecting the character of Christ and the nature of the gospel in the context of marriage and in the church.

1 Peter 3:1-12

1. Principles for Wives (1-6)

What does the word “likewise” refer to?

- be subject to your husband - What is it about submission that can win a husband over?
- have a gentle and quiet spirit
- do good and don't fear

How did Christ embody a gentle, quiet, and fearless spirit?

2. Principles for Husbands (7)

- be understanding of your wife
- show honor to your wife

How does understanding and honor relate to weakness and equality (in terms of inheritance)?

3. Principles for all God's People (8-12)

- called to be one
- called to be a blessing - How do we bless people who do evil to us or revile us?
- called to be blessed - How are we blessed and why?

Conclusion