

**Community Group Discussion Guide**  
**1 Peter 2:1-8**  
**(Week of January 22, 2023)**

**Getting to know you:**

1. What are some things you crave from time to time? What makes you crave those things?
2. Looking back at the sermon from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time, caught your attention, was reminded of, or was a big take away for you?
3. Take a few minutes and read aloud 1 Peter 2:1-8

**Getting into the text:**

*Peter transitions again with the word therefore, however this is a transition from orthopraxy to orthodoxy. However, Peter does lay out some very necessary biblical imperatives in this pericope of scripture.*

4. Read 1 Peter 2:1 Why is it important to rid ourselves of malice, deceit, hypocrisy, envy and slander.

As you review the list Peter is laying out, is there anything that needs to be addressed in your personal life?

Discuss what each of these words mean and how they might show up in the life of a believer. Malice, deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander.

Why should we be concerned if someone is struggling in these areas?

5. Reading verses 2-3 What is Peter referring to when he says desire the pure milk of the word? What is the intent behind the statement, "That you may grow up into salvation"? Why is God good in the context of these verses?
6. Read verses 4-5 very careful and identify who is the stone in verse 4 compared to verse 5.

Discuss which verses apply to Jesus and which verses apply to the church.

What are the scripture sacrifices that are being offered up to Jesus?

7. Reading verses 6-8 provide great insight into the plan of salvation.

What does it mean that Jesus is the cornerstone? How are cornerstones used?

Why do so many trip, stumble and reject Jesus today?

**Close in Prayer:**