

Sermon Discussion Guide

Nov. 5, 2023 "Honest to God" 2 Peter 1:5-11

This year, we're reading through the Whole Holy Bible. Weekend sermons look specifically at New Testament books, while incorporating the Old Testament as well. This month we look at letters, or epistles, actually official epistles from other apostles. Join us as we read it, learn it, and live it together.

PRAY & CONNECT

Open in prayer and invite the Holy Spirit into your conversation. Ask God for wisdom and discernment and trust him to guide you. Take time to view the message on **HopeOnline.tv**. Did you have any "ah-ha" moments where you felt convicted, compelled, or inspired during the sermon? What's been on your mind this week? Have you been able to apply the message to your everyday life?

GROW

Read Lamentations 1:16 - "Sorrow in Jerusalem"

• How do you deal with grief? What does God want us to do in times of sadness? How does letting out your frustrations and pain help? Have you ever felt like God wasn't there for you in your grief? Why was that? What was he doing in your difficult time? How can we find God in our sorrow?

Read 2 Peter 1:5-11 - "Growing in Faith"

• What is it that you want to pass down to the next generation? How can you do that? Is your faith being put into practice? Has it changed the way you live? How so?

Read <u>Hebrews 12:1-2</u> - "God's Discipline Proves His Love"

• Who are the people who taught you the faith? Who showed you the example you now follow? Who in your life are teaching faith to? What example are you setting for them? What's your legacy?

APPLY

Think about the people in your life you have influence with. What do you want to pass down to them? How can you start to pour your faith into them and show them Jesus' example this week. Pray for those people and show them what it looks like to be a follower of Jesus.

