

Life Application Questions

An Exiles View Of Hope
1 Peter 3:13-17

Scratching The Surface

When was the last time that you did something (maybe in a particular way) because you were aware of what other people might think about you?

The Heart Of The Matter

Do you think the idea of doing what is right but it coming at a cost is more a) something that is noble or b) a symptom of what is wrong with the world?

What examples are coming to mind that make you think that?

On Sunday Dave said that “the fear of people leads to either silence or shouting”

What do you make of that?

How would your life and conduct be different if you really did not fear anything because you knew that the worst that can happen cannot happen—that you cannot lose God’s love for you?

Digging Deeper

Read 1 Peter 3:13-17

When Peter says “anyone who asks you” (vs 15) what assumptions is he making?

How would you communicate the reasons for the hope that you have?

Why do you think Pete makes a particular point of communicating the reason for our hope with “gentleness and respect?”

Thinking Light Blue

Towards the end of this term of Life Groups all our groups are going to be having socials - but we don’t want to just think of this as a chance to hang out without planning anything. We instead want to think about this as a great opportunity to do the kind of thing that helps us to engage with the wider world, that gives us a chance to spend time with people who aren’t normally at church. An opportunity for people who don’t know many Christians to meet more of them. An opportunity to invite people to something they would like and in turn invite people to church.

Discussion Question:

What kind of social thing would people in your Life Group like to do that you would find really easy to invite people to come to?

Activity:

Spend some time praying for the chance to invite people to stuff.