1 PETER: BLESSED TO SHARE 1 Peter 3:8-22 Pastor Jim Oakley

GOD BLESSES US WHEN WE DO GOOD AND BLESS INSIDERS AND OUTSIDERS EVEN IF IT'S SCARY OR HURTS

- 1. DO GOOD AND BLESS INSIDERS (vs. 8-12)
- 2. DO GOOD AND BLESS OUTSIDERS (vs. 13-16)
- 3. EVEN WHEN IT'S SCARY OR HURTS (vs. 17-22)

MEMORY VERSE: 1 Peter 3:15-16 READ AHEAD FOR NEXT WEEK: 1 Peter 4:1-11

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- 1. In vs. 8, to whom are we to be like-minded, sympathetic, etc. towards? Why?
- 2. How might we be tempted to react to persecution or suffering?
- 3. How can we avoid repaying "evil with evil"?
- 4. What do verses 10-12 call us to repent from and how do we do that?
- 5. What does it look like to repay evil with blessing?
- 6. How can we actively combat our fear of persecution?
- 7. If you do good, does that mean that you won't suffer?
- 8. How can we always "be prepared to give an answer" as described in vs. 15?
- 9. In what manner/attitude should we give this answer?
- 10. Why did Jesus suffer patiently?
- 11. It's debated, but what contextual clues indicate who the imprisoned spirits are that Jesus proclaimed his victory to?
- 12. Why did God wait patiently in Noah's days?
- 13. How does this passage challenge or encourage you?