

Small Group Discussion Questions

Following the Weekend of Mar 28-29, 2026

No need to answer every question. Feel free to jump around.

Between Expectation and Fulfillment

(I Peter 1:10-12)

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Group Interaction & Application

Read aloud I Peter 1:10-12.

What words, phrases, concepts, or images from these verses stand out to you as you just read them, or create curiosity for you in some way?

What aspects of Pastor Alan's message gave you fresh insight into this passage, or helped you the most in understanding these verses and what we experience here?

When have life situations not lived up to your expectations?

How did you handle this?

When, if ever, have you felt like God let you down?

How did this impact your faith walk?

Within this portion of scripture, Pastor Alan highlights three ways we can choose to respond when facing unmet expectations.

First, **unmet expectations can either push us away from God or pull us deeper into Him.**

(I Peter 1:11)

When facing unmet expectations, do you tend to turn away from God or to wrestle with Him?

If you do wrestle with Him, what does this look like?

How tempted are you to want immediate answers when life does not go as expected?

If sitting in uncertainty is hard for you, what could help you face this reality with more peace?

Second, **unmet expectations do not remove your purpose but instead they redefine it.**

(I Peter 1:12)

When have unmet expectations in your life resulted in positive outcomes?

In what ways have you grown through unmet expectations?

What unmet expectations are you dealing with today?

How might this current circumstance be shifting your perspective?

Third, **unmet expectations invite us to savor the wonder of what God has provided for us.**

(I Peter 1:12)

When have unmet expectations caused you to see God in greater wonder?

In our desire to simplify, to streamline, to move on quickly, how challenging or easy is it for you to stop and observe the wonder of God?

Pastor Alan shared the analogy of sitting in a window seat of an airplane to get a greater view of the wonder below.

If you desire to get a better view of God's wonder today, what could it look like for you to figuratively, "move to a window seat."

Conclude by praying for one another in taking practical next steps in applying this weekend's message and group discussion, after which pray for group needs and concerns.

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