

Small Group Discussion Questions

Following the Weekend of May 9-10, 2026

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

When It Feels Like We Are Losing

(I Peter 3:18-22)

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Group Interaction & Application

Read aloud together I Peter 3:18-22.

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?

How well do you handle losing?

Pastor Alan highlights from this portion of scripture three things Jesus has done which can change our lens when life circumstances make us feel like we are losing.

First, Christ suffered to bring us to God. (I Peter 3:18)

When life is challenging (or when you feel like you are losing), how fully are you leaning into Christ's presence in your life?

What does this look like to lean deeply into Jesus?

Pastor Alan pointed out that sin is not simply doing something wrong, but that a more accurate description for sin is to choose to live separately from God.

What is the significance of these different definitions of sin?

How have you defined sin throughout your life walk and how might this perspective change things for you?

Second, Christ proclaimed victory to assure us that the victory is already won. (I Peter 3:19-20)

How often, if ever, do you feel like evil is winning?

How does this make you feel?

How do you typically respond to this perceived reality?

In the story shared from the book of Enoch, what impact, if any, does it have on you to hear that Jesus' first visit from the grave involved him proclaiming victory to evil spirits?

If Jesus was proclaiming victory in one of history's darkest places, what can that mean for you today?

Third, Christ ascended to reign over all. (I Peter 3:21-22)

Why might visualizing where Jesus is right now be important?

How often, if ever, do you picture Jesus at God's right hand?

If you never do this, what impact do you think this could have on you when you feel defeated?

Pastor Alan highlighted how Jesus chose a path of submission that ultimately led to Jesus being exalted by God.

How easy or difficult is it for you to choose a path of submission?

How might Jesus' chosen path equip you to choose a similar path?

How do you discern when it is appropriate to submit?

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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