

DON'T WASTE YOUR LIFE

1 Peter 4.1-9

ARM YOURSELVES: VERSES 4.1, 2

Hebrews 2.10, 12.1-3 // Matthew 6.19-21 // Ephesians 6.10-20

Suffering brings us as raw, impure gold, taken into the refiner's fire; it shapes and molds us into the work of art that the goldsmith desires.

PUT OFF: VERSES 4.3-6

Romans 12.1, 2, 13.13, 14 // Matthew 5.11, 12

Expect to be shunned, because Christ was shunned.

1 Corinthians 5.9-13

We are to do whatever we can to live peaceably as a witness to a lost and dark world. Our goal isn't to judge, but be light to those and reveal to them the One who came to save them from judgment. They don't need any help being judged, because they are already judged.

**We are called to be in the world,
but neither out of the world, nor of the world.**

John 17.14-18

PUT ON: VERSES 4.7-9

Our aim should be to win hearts, not arguments.

Romans 2.4, 5 // Ephesians 5.15-21

1 Peter 3.15, 16



NOTES:

WANT TO GET CONNECTED?

- **JOIN A COMMUNITY GROUP!**

If you want to get connected to a group of people near your neighborhood, let us know by filling out the **Connection Card** or visiting the **Connection Booth** in the Atrium!

- **JOIN A MINISTRY TEAM!**

We would love to have you come serve our community with us. Let us know on our **Connection Card** that you want to help!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BAPTISM AND MEAL ON CINCO DE MAYO!

We will be having our first ever **Baptism** after service on **Sunday, May 5th**! If you are interested in being baptized, please mention it on your **Connection Card**. We are looking forward to enjoying some tasty Mexican dishes as we celebrate this first baptism on **Cinco de Mayo!**

SERMON CDs AVAILABLE

If you would like a copy of the sermon from today's service, go to the sound booth in the back right after service. They will make one just for you!

Also, make sure to not just watch, but also subscribe to our **YouTube Channel**, which is at youtube.com/LifeMissionTV. You will get notified AS SOON as our sermons and short videos go up online!

KIDS ON MISSION

Please log on to check out www.lifemissionchurch.com and click "Kids" at the top to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart and his walk through of our curriculum.

Also, the daily devotional book, **Long Story Short**, is available in the Atrium to purchase.



SAVE.

Jesus was sent to save. We have been saved to be sent. We are sent into our community to share the Good News that Christ came to save us, and we hope to see many who find new life.

EQUIP.

We want to equip those very people in the Word so that they can continue to grow as disciples of Christ. From our preschool to our adults, our passion is to see everyone equipped in the Gospel to live a life of freedom and joy.

SEND.

Lastly, we then want to see those equipped people sent into their community and world. From schools and playgrounds, to families and work places, we want to see people who are spiritual leaders in their life, showing people the truth of Christ's Good News.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

What stuck out to you the most or was the most impactful from the message on Sunday? _____

Read **1 Peter 4.1-9**. What words or thoughts through these first few verses jump out at you? _____

Jobey started off the sermon by saying that we all "listen to multiple sermons every day." What are some examples of "sermons" that you listen to through your day, and what is their message? _____

What are the truths that contradict these sermons? _____

What we believe (our theology) dictates how we live. Give examples of this. _____

In **1 Peter 4.1-3**, Peter tells us to arm ourselves with the same way that Christ thinks. How does arming ourselves this way help us to put away the old way of living mentioned in **verse 3**? _____

Read **Romans 12.1, 2, 13.13, 14**. Paul here tells us the same thing Peter does. What does he say for us to do, and how does he say we should do it? _____

Read **John 17.14-18**. Jesus here gives us a *lot* of direction on how to live out this life. Answer these questions: what are we called to do? What are we *not* called to do? How do we go about doing what we are called? _____

We know that we are not called to be taken out of the world, nor should we live the way the world lives. What happens when we don't look any different than the world? _____

What are some actions or attitudes that you struggle with that need to be put into the past, as **1 Peter 2, 3** says? _____

We also know that we have been saved to be sent, and that we shouldn't be surprised when we face opposition. Read **1 Corinthians 5.9-13, 1 Peter 3.15, 16, John 3.17, 18, Romans 2.4, and 2 Corinthians 5.17-21**. How do these verses paint a better picture of how we are to live in and around people who don't share our values or our faith in Christ, and even oppose it and live in stark contrast with it? _____

Spend some time in prayer with others in your group, repenting of actions and attitudes that need to change, as well as asking God for a heart of reconciliation, peace-making, and humility with those in your life that you are at odds with.