

# Goldstone Church

## Small Group Questions

### 1 Peter 1:13-16

#### For Starting

- It's Friday night after a terribly busy week, how do you spend it?
- Share about a time you stained or damaged some clothing.
- What difficult conversation have you had recently?
- What is one worship song or lyric that has recently spoken to your heart?
- If you could ask Jesus to change ONE problem in the world today, which problem would you pick? Why?

#### For Reviewing

- Identify the different commands in v.13. Which command is the primary one?
- What is wrong with the passions Peter describes in v.14? See also Ephesians 4:22.
- How would you describe and explain God's holiness to a non-Christian (v.15)? See Habakkuk 1:13; Isaiah 5:16; Exodus 3:5-6
- v.16 is quoting Leviticus 11:44-45. What *extra* aspects of God's holiness are mentioned (if any)? Does Leviticus 11:44-45 still apply to Christians today?

#### For Discussion

- What is the difference between a 'value' and a 'belief'?
- What is the relationship between knowledge (head), passions/affections (heart) and conduct (hands)? How do we bring our lives in line with what God is wanting?
- Why does a commitment to holiness make no distinction between the 'secular' and the 'sacred'?
- Why does becoming a Christian mean that we begin a life-long evaluation of everything we do?
- "*Because in Christ we are already holy, the pursuit of holiness is our joy, not a burden.*". Do you agree/disagree? Why or why not? How does this impact our Christian lives today?
- You could end by reading together 1 Peter 1:16.

## **1 Peter 1:13-16 (NIVUK)**

### **Be Holy**

<sup>13</sup> Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>14</sup> As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. <sup>15</sup> But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; <sup>16</sup> for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."