

FUSION Q's... Jesus is Better 11 – Jesus Has a Better Kingdom

Discussion Questions

Q1. What was your biggest takeaway from tonight's talk?

Q2. What is so important about trying to live in peace with everyone? Is that even possible?

Q3. Are there people in your life that you struggle to live in peace with? What would it take for you to initiate peace with them?

Read 1 Peter 3:8-17

Q4. Peter writes about how we should be treating other people as Christians. Does this sound difficult? Explain why or why not.

Q5. What are the "rewards" or blessings promised for living a life that is pleasing to God and loving toward others?

Q6. What are the consequences of refusing to live this sort of life?

Q7. Have you ever suffered for doing the right thing? How so?

Q8. What would you tell someone who asked you why you have hope?

Q9. When answering someone who is asking us about the hope that is in us, Peter says we should do it with gentleness and respect. Why is this important?

Bible Passages of Discussion

1 Peter 3:8-17 (NLT)

⁸ Finally, all of you should be of one mind. Sympathize with each other. Love each other as brothers and sisters. Be tenderhearted, and keep a humble attitude. ⁹ Don't repay evil for evil. Don't retaliate with insults when people insult you. Instead, pay them back with a blessing. That is what God has called you to do, and he will grant you his blessing. ¹⁰ For the Scriptures say,

"If you want to enjoy life
and see many happy days,
keep your tongue from speaking evil
and your lips from telling lies.

¹¹ Turn away from evil and do good.

Search for peace, and work to maintain it.

¹² The eyes of the Lord watch over those who do right,
and his ears are open to their prayers.

But the Lord turns his face
against those who do evil."

¹³ Now, who will want to harm you if you are eager to do good? ¹⁴ But even if you suffer for doing what is right, God will reward you for it. So don't worry or be afraid of their threats. ¹⁵ Instead, you must worship Christ as Lord of your life. And if someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it. ¹⁶ But do this in a gentle and respectful way. Keep your conscience clear. Then if people speak against you, they will be ashamed when they see what a good life you live because you belong to Christ. ¹⁷ Remember, it is better to suffer for doing good, if that is what God wants, than to suffer for doing wrong!