

SESSION 4 ONE CONVERSATION

Use the following thoughts and questions to have one spiritual conversation. You can pick and choose, use them all or just allow the statement to be your guide. The emphasis shouldn't be about having all the answers, but simply having a conversation.

Scripture

1 Peter 2:1-17

1. Opening Statement

Begin your conversation by asking about this main point:

The church's identity as God's people causes them to live differently than the world.

This main point is the biblical truth the student's study was built around. Each week there will be one statement that ties the whole study together. These would be great statements to remember together. The hope is that thoughts and ideas will stem from these statements. You can also begin by sharing a thought of your own that you learned during your study of the same session. Ask what thoughts were surprising as the study was taught.

2. Thought From the Study

Though we have been given right-standing with God through Jesus' sacrifice, we still have much work to do as we wait on the completion of God's work in us. We all have sin that clings closely to us, and Scripture continually commands us to take it down (Heb. 12:1). We have a race to run. A battle to fight. A lifetime of learning to live out the internal realities Christ provided us.

How can we better see the battle over sin as a moment-by-moment, urgent war rather than an occasional activity?

3. Quote for Discussion

Discuss this quote together. How does this change your understanding of a relationship with Jesus?

It is easier to cry against one thousand sins of others than to kill one of your own. —John Flavel

4. Conversation Questions

Use these questions to begin thinking through and applying the lessons to your family life:

- 1. What are some ways our family can support each other as we fight to not become comfortable with our sin?
- 2. How can our family create a plan and hold each other accountable for staying in God's Word?
- 3. In what ways can our family remind each other that we are chosen by God? A royal priesthood? What effect does this have on each family member and our family as a whole?
- 4. How can our family remember that we are different, set apart, from the world without treating those in the world as if they are less?