

Dig Deeper @Home – “True Community”

Complement to sermon on 11/23/2025 – “Treated as Beloved”

ICE BREAKER – Questions to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered

1. When you were growing up, who was the person who made you feel most beloved. What do you remember them doing for you or with you?
2. Who is someone you know who displays humility? What actions in their life display humility?

MEMORIZE – 1st Peter 2:4

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ

READ – 1 Peter 4:12 – 5:14

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. Re-scan the text and consider...
 - a. What did the Holy Spirit cause to “jump off the page” as you read?
 - b. What are the verses revealing about God?
 - c. What are the verses saying about people?
 - d. In light of these, what needs to change in your life? What are you already doing well?
2. Peter says to "clothe yourselves with humility" toward one another (1 Peter 5:5). What does this phrase mean practically?
3. What does it mean to "humble yourselves under God's mighty hand" (1 Peter 5:6)? How can you apply this in your daily life?
4. How does understanding that "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble" (1 Peter 5:5) influence your perspective and choices?

EXPERIENTIAL ACTIVITY – Role-Playing Scenarios

In the group or as a family, present scenarios, such as winning a game or getting a good grade, or winning a prize or reaching a goal and have each person act out both a boastful and a humble response.

Discuss how the different responses would make others feel and why the humble response is a better choice. Read together, 1 Peter 5:5,6

SING

Spend time worshipping together. Sing your own songs. Look songs up on YouTube for others to be able to sing along. Share a song that has been meaningful to you recently and talk about why. Make this time your own.

Humble Thyself In the Sight of the Lord - <https://youtu.be/WXSq5OZdyX0>

Here I am to Worship - <https://youtu.be/RZeJTtUrhWA>

We Fall Down - <https://youtu.be/UmRj3yAWmJM>

I Surrender All - <https://youtu.be/xSPcuV5Sli8>

PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

Sending prayer: Heavenly Father, we come before You today with hearts that often are hampered by pride. We confess our struggles with putting ourselves first, our desire for recognition, and our tendency to put ourselves above others. As we go into this week, Lord, teach us what it truly means to be humble. Soften our hearts and help us to see ourselves and others as You see us—as beloved children, but also a work in progress, utterly dependent on Your grace. Amen