



## NEW HORIZONS SMALL GROUPS

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Sermon Title: 1 Peter - Called To Holiness

Scripture Reference: 1 Peter 2:1-17

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### Connection:

- What do you remember most from last week's sermon?
- How did you hear God's voice or sense His presence this past week?
- What's one thing you're looking forward to this fall?

### Reflection:

- Summarize this week's sermon in one to three sentences. What was the main point of the message?
- What did the message say about you, God's people or the world?

### Application:

#### 1. Craving Growth

**Read:** 1 Peter 2:1-3

Peter tells believers to "crave pure spiritual milk."

What does spiritual maturity look like for you right now?

What might it look like to "crave" growth in Christ rather than simply "coast" in faith?

What habits help or hinder your spiritual appetite?

#### 2. Chosen and Called

**Read:** 1 Peter 2:9-10 and **Ephesians 2:19-22**

Paul also describes believers as "members of God's household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets."

How does this passage deepen your understanding of being a "living stone"?

Where do you sense God positioning you within His spiritual house, what's your role or purpose?

#### 3. Living Differently in a Watching World

**Read:** 1 Peter 2:11-12 and **Romans 12:1-2**

Peter urges believers to live honorably among unbelievers, and Paul calls us not to conform to the world.

What are some practical examples of how Christians can live differently without becoming judgmental or withdrawn?

How can your behavior reflect Christ to your community this week?

#### 4. Submitting to Authority

**Read:** 1 Peter 2:13-17 and **Romans 13:1-7**

Both Peter and Paul teach about submission to governing authorities.

What tensions do you feel when applying this teaching in today's culture?

How can believers honor God and still engage responsibly in civic life?

#### 5. Respect, Love, and Holy Fear

Peter closes this section by calling us to respect everyone, love others, fear God, and respect the king.

Which of these four is hardest for you to practice consistently?

How does remembering your identity as a "living stone" empower you to live this out?