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2 Peter 3:11-13 | An Offensive Church

Discussion Questions

Community Groups meet throughout the week and play a crucial role in our response to the preaching of the word. These groups gather to discuss the following questions as we seek to apply the sermon in community with one another. Please visit compassntx.org to join a small group near you.

1. Read **1 Peter 1:13-16** and **1 Corinthians 6:9-11**. What are some guidelines you've set for interacting with the culture while keeping your holiness and your family safe? Do you think American Christians have become a bit numb to some threats to our holiness in the culture and let more sin into our lives because of it? Why or why not? Is there a way to fix this?

2. Read **2 Peter 3:12** and **Ephesians 5:3-16**. Which is more effective: 1) Being able to talk to people who don't believe in God because you know about their favorite shows, movies, songs, podcasts, etc., or 2) Making the distinction clear by saying that you've never seen that show or movie or listened to that song or podcast? What are the risks of the second option if we're not careful when we explain why we don't do certain things? How can we do this in a way that's friendly and convincing?

3. Read **2 Peter 3:13** and **Ecclesiastes 7:2-4**. According to King Solomon in Ecclesiastes 7, why is a funeral better than a party? How often do you think about how long you'll live? If you could live for 900 years with your kids and friends, would you want to? What are some reasons you would say yes? How should that affect how you use the time God has given you now?

4. There's a lot of buzz about a shift in society towards being more accepting of Christianity and embracing biblical truths and values. In fact, Bible sales jumped by 22% last year! As we focus on reaching, teaching, and training, and as we strive to be a Christ-exalting, church-equipping, and culture-engaging lampstand, spend some time praying that the American church will seize this opportunity and that God will start a revival right here at Compass Bible Church.

Recommended Reading

- *Living Life Backwards: How Ecclesiastes Teaches us to Live in Light of the End* - David Gibson
- *Redeeming Your Time: 7 Biblical Principles for Being Purposeful, Present & Wildly Productive* - Jordan Raynor
- *Future Grace: The Purifying Power of Living by Faith* - John Piper

- *The Holiness of God* - J.C. Ryle
- *The Pursuit of Holiness* - Jerry Bridges
- *The Gospel at Work: How Working for King Jesus Gives Purpose and Meaning to Our Jobs* - Greg Gilbert and Sebastian Traeger
- *Hudson Taylor: Gospel Pioneer to China* - Vance Christie

