

TO GO

1. Describe a scenario where you felt caught "in between." What about the situation made you feel that way? How did you respond?
2. Read 1 Peter 2:11-12. Why does Peter call his readers "beloved"? How does that make sense given all he's written prior to v11?
3. What negative imperative does Peter give in v11? Why is that so difficult for sojourners and exiles? What is the difference between the soul and the flesh? What passions of the flesh tend to wage war for people's souls today?
4. What positive imperative does Peter give in v12? Why is it important for Christians to find common ground with the world? How can Christians do that without compromising biblical morals?
5. What happens when Christians abstain from the flesh and keep their conduct honorable amongst the Gentiles?
6. In what ways are you giving in to the passions of the flesh? What needs to change? In what ways are you ignoring the shared values with the world? How can you demonstrate honor among Gentiles such that they see your good deeds and God is glorified?