

## 1 Peter 1:13-21

### Discussion Questions

1. What has helped you to remain hopeful through all the challenges we are facing? Are there things that you are intentional about that help sustain hope?
2. Peter says that our minds are to be alert and fully sober. What are things that contribute to a clouded mind? Bo mentioned that Christians are prone to being gullible. Why do you think that is the case? What are things that we can do to cultivate alert and sober minds?
3. Peter describes the former lives of Christians as being ignorant and conforming to evil desires. In what way has following Christ changed you? What are the things that you have left, and continue to leave behind, because of your Christian faith?
4. Peter calls us to be holy and quotes from the book of Leviticus to support this point. Is holiness something you seek in your life? If not, why not? What are unhelpful ways of thinking about holiness? What are ways to think about holiness so that it is something lifegiving for Christians?
5. Peter tells us Jesus was chosen before the foundation of the world but now revealed to us (v 20), and will be revealed to us in the future (v 13). How do you understand God's past, present, and future work of salvation? What effect does it have on you to know how God has been working through history?
6. Peter makes 3 exhortations in this passage: 1. Set your hope (v 13); 2. Be holy (v 15), 3. Live in reverent fear as foreigners (v 17). Which of these do you think apply to you right now and why?
7. Bo talked about how we, as Christians, need to "get our story straight." That is, we need to understand the Scriptural gospel story as the foundational narrative for our lives. What are areas of our lives that we have allowed our present culture to define us, and where do we the gospel story to speak into our lives?