May 5 - 11

Chosen and Exiled | Good News Promised

Icebreaker: Was there ever something significant promised to you that you hoped to see someday? Did that come true? Was it better or worse than you had imagined?

Read 1 Peter 1:10-12

SOAP Discussion

- Each person shares an observation or application from the verse they chose.
- Go with the order of the verses. You could follow each verse with the questions below.
- Details on the SOAP Method at <u>www.cfdowningtown.com/soap</u>.

Further Discussion

Verse 10

- What do you think of when you hear *salvation*? What is *salvation* in this passage?
- Who are the prophets referenced in this verse? What are they prophesying about?
- Why would people be anticipating the coming of this prophecy?
- What is the grace referred to in this verse? Who is the recipient of this grace?

Verse 11

- Why was it important for a prophecy to be accurate and detailed?
- What do we learn here about how God revealed his message to his prophets?
- What are some of the Old Testament prophecies regarding Christ's suffering and glory? (Review Isaiah 52:13 53:12)
- Why are both sufferings and glories important in the coming of the Messiah?

Verse 12

- How were these prophecies granted to us as a message of hope?
- What is the progression of the prophetic message that we see in this passage?
- What does this verse teach us about angels and their nature in relationship to humans and God?

Application

- Consider that the good news of this salvation was prophesied for hundreds of years, and angels long to understand it. How does it make you feel to understand that you live during this age of the fulfillment of God's redemption through Jesus?
- The prophets served us by giving us God's Word. How do we continue that unbroken service of God's Word? Who has God entrusted to you to proclaim him?

For Next Week: Use SOAP with one verse in 1 Peter 1:13-22.