

Session 12 Guide



Use these questions to talk to your child about the message of 1 Peter. Then consider taking the So What? challenge to incorporate this session's message into your own life alongside your child's.

Read Again

1 Peter 4:3-19

“But you should be happy that you are sharing in Christ’s sufferings. You will be happy and full of joy when Christ comes again in glory.”

(1 Peter 4:13, ICB)

- 1. **Does Peter know when Jesus is coming back?** (No. Only God knows that. Peter just wants us to be ready.)
- 2. **What is “judgment”?** (A kind of testing to see if something is true or false, weak or strong.)
- 3. **How is suffering a kind of judgment for the Church?** (It shows whether our faith—our trust in God—is weak or strong.)
- 4. **Does God want us to suffer?** (No. He wants us to trust Him when we do suffer.)
- 5. **Do you think having a bad day can help you trust in God? What can you do to remember God in the middle of your next bad day?**

So What?

For Toddlers

Make up a simple song and sing, “Trust God on bad days!” together.

For Grade Schoolers

Have your child pick out some of their favorite verses about trusting God, about God’s goodness, and about the “happily ever after” to come. Then let your child copy the verses onto notecards with markers. Use a hole punch and ribbon to tie the cards together into a booklet they can carry with them to remind them to trust God on bad days.

For You

Along with your child, choose one of your favorite verses about trusting God. Be creative and decorate a notecard with your verse. Then put it in a place where you will see it consistently. Pray that God would grow your trust in Him.