Counter Culture

Week 2

Main Idea

To live counterculturally for Jesus, we need to pursue a life of holiness.

Starter

If someone were to describe you when you were a teenager with one word, what would it be and why?

Discuss

What is a way you feel tempted to blend into the world rather than stand out for Jesus?

Scripture

As a group, take turns reading <u>1 Peter 1:3-18</u> and discuss:

- What is a truth about God that encourages or challenges you in this passage?
- Divide your group in half and read the passage again. Have half the group focus on finding truths about what God has saved us *from* and half the group focus on what God has saved us *for*.
 - Take 5-10 minutes to study the passage as a group and pick 1 person to share some of your observations on behalf of your group.
- Come back together to share your observations and discuss:
 - o How could you pursue more of a life of holiness in your words, actions, and attitudes?

Encourage your group that living counterculturally starts with listening to Jesus and obeying His Word for ourselves. Rather than rushing off to the next thing, we want to encourage each other to listen to the next step Jesus is leading us to take and to embrace the truths we are learning from His Word.

Apply

Have everyone spend a few minutes in prayer and reflection.

- Write down one key truth God wants you to embrace this week, one step of faith you feel led to take, and one way we can pray for you.
- In a minute or less, share your takeaways from the week and spend time praying together.