

God's Word for Sojourners
1 Peter 1:22 – 2:3 Discussion Questions

1. In 1 Peter 1:22, he refers to God's Word as "the truth." Why is it important we recognize God's Word is true? What are some of the consequences if a person thinks it is not fully true?
2. God's Word is clear. The clarity of the Bible doesn't mean we can fully understand everything in the Bible. It does mean we can understand the main point of a passage and the message of the Bible. Explain the difference between fully understanding everything and understanding the main point. Do you think of the Bible as being clear? Why is this important? Have you ever practiced reading a section of the Bible and summarizing the main point? Why is this helpful?
3. God's Word is necessary for conversion (1 Peter 1:22-23). Share your story of how you became a Christian and what role the Bible played in your conversion. What are some ways you can share the Bible or the message of the Bible with people in your life in hopes that they experience Christian conversion?
4. God's Word is enduring (1 Peter 1:24-25). Peter quotes Isaiah and gives the examples of grass and flowers that change and fade. What are some other examples of things in our lives that change and fade away? Why is it encouraging to hear that God's Word does not change and that it endures forever? Why should this truth influence the amount of time we give to reading and studying God's Word?
5. God's Word is necessary for growth. Peter says we should long for it like an infant longs for milk (1 Peter 2:2). We can "taste" that the Lord is good (2:3). What does this mean? Why do you think he describes this experience like taste? How would you explain this experience to someone? What can a person do if he/she doesn't long for God's Word like this? Are there ways we can develop a hunger for God's Word? Explain.