Do you experience that kind of hope? Explain your thoughts.
1. Peter refers to the gospel as "the reason for the hope that you have" (verse 15). Read the definition of hope in the study notes. Why is hope important in your life?
2. What reasons does Peter give for not being afraid to talk about Jesus with someone?
--- 1 Peter 3:13-17

1. So be ready, to answer everyone who asks you why for which you believe Christ. 2. But also live a life characterized by your good works, so that those who slander your good deeds may have something to say for them. 3. Why are you afraid? Why must you be ashamed to give an answer for the hope that is in you? Do not fear, what shall man do to you? 4. Do not be afraid, for you are a child of God, and God is your Father. He is not going to harm you if you are a child of God. These are the words that you should share with others. This is the reason why we have received the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ, the Word of God. If you believe in Jesus, the Christ, you are saved. 5. The reason we have eternal life is that we have received the gift of eternal life through faith in Jesus Christ. If you believe in Jesus Christ, you are saved. 6. Wisdom, it is something we have heard or we have experienced in words spoken by wise men. 7. The reason we have eternal life is that we have received the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ, the Word of God. If you believe in Jesus, the Christ, you are saved. 8. The reason we have eternal life is that we have received the gift of eternal life in Jesus Christ, the Word of God. If you believe in Jesus, the Christ, you are saved.

**The Gospel**

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**Welcome, 15 mins.** 1. Why is the key message from last Sunday's sermon? How did God speak to your life? 2. How would you respond to the message? What action will you take after listening to the message again?

**Prayer, 5 mins.** Pray for this week's focus of the group. Pray for the group to be blessed as they share the good news of Jesus Christ.

**Small Group, 20 mins.** 1. Our mission is to share the message of salvation with others. How can we do this effectively? 2. How can we make sure that our words are heard by others? 3. How can we strengthen our faith in Jesus Christ? 4. How can we support each other as we continue to grow in our faith?

**Worship, 20 mins.** 1. After hearing the sermon, what do you do next? 2. How can we continue to grow in our faith and understanding of the gospel? 3. How can we apply the message of salvation to our daily lives?
6. Why is this good news and reason for hope?

5. The gospel focuses on what Jesus did. What are the important

— I Corinthians 15:1-8

also as one Adamantly born. James, then, to the apostles, and us of the heavens, not
still things; though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to the
the hundred of the thousands at the same time. And when the
and then to the thousand. After that, he appeared to the
day according to the Scripture. And then he appeared to Peter,
Scripture, then he was raised, then he was raised on the earth
improvement: that Christ died for our sins according to the
For whom I suffered, I bear witness to you of first
believed in with.

Immerse to the word! Pray to the word! Otherwise, you have
when your name. By this gospel are saved. If you hold
preached to you, which you received and on which you have
your brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel.

What exactly is the gospel we share with people? Paul

Why are Gentiles and respect so important?

above it (verses 15-16)

When we explain the gospel to someone, how should we go

Sharing Your Life Mission Every Day
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Step 3: God's Remedy: The Cross

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Step 4: Our Response

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Romans 3:23

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 5:6

For in Christ Jesus you are justified by faith, that all of you who believe may inherit the inheritance of life eternal.

1 Timothy 2:5

For there is one God and of one mediator between God and man, the man Christ Jesus.

1 Peter 3:18

...for Christ died for sins once for all, the just for the unjust, to bring you to God.

Romans 5:1

We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
8. Divide into groups of two or three people. Give each

name, amen.

and challenge your local church to your life story.
Your mission is to become Jesus’ witness. I want to blend
because I’m your shepherd. For my own, I want to learn from my life’s
I know where I can go stations and thank your shepherd. I

Dear Lord Jesus,

Jesus was the Only Holy Spirit to receive him as Lord and Savior.
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to come into and under your

How to Receive Christ

What is receiving you from inviting Jesus into your life and

crossing the bridge to a relationship with God?

Where would you draw yourself in this illustration?

John 3:14

dead or alive

not be a Christian life and will not be considered. He has crossed over from
4. Tell that this makes you want and believe that what God

abundant life is a gift for us to receive.

Inscripting Christ’s Kingdom and bringing him control of life. Besides
believing means trust and commitment—acknowledging our sinfulness.