

July 21 – 27

Chosen and Exiled | Resist the Devil

Icebreaker: What is something in your life that you try to actively resist or stay away from?

Read 1 Peter 5:8-13

SOAP Discussion (Details on the SOAP Method at www.cfdowningtown.com/soap)

Further Discussion

5:8

- What does it mean to be sober-minded? What is an area in your life where you need to be more sober-minded?
- What does it mean to be watchful? What might it look like this week for you to be “watchful?”
- Why is it important for believers to know that we have an adversary? What characterizes this adversary? How can this knowledge equip us as believers?
- How is a roaring lion similar to Satan?

5:9

- How does scripture say we must face our adversary?
- When have you needed to resist the Devil? What did that look like?
- What might be the difference between having a posture of resistance toward our adversary versus having a posture of attacking our adversary?
- What might make you say that something in your life is the result of the adversary’s work?
- Why is it encouraging to know that other believers share in our same suffering?

5:10-13

- What is the end result of our temporary suffering? What do we have to look forward to that will outweigh any suffering that we might face in our life?
- How does our faith in Christ sustain us?

Application

- How can we guard our hearts and minds and be more watchful of our adversary?
- How can we encourage one another to stand firm in our faith?

For Next Week: Use SOAP with 2-3 verses in Luke 16:1-13