RIVERVIEW CHURCH

HOME-GROUP QUESTIONS

Our Victorious God

With Pastor Mel Svendsen
March 1, 2026

1 Peter 3:18–22

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QUESTION 1

What does it mean practically in your daily life to present yourself as a 'living sacrifice' to God, and what areas of your life are you still holding back from the altar?

QUESTION 2

How does understanding Jesus as the 'cornerstone' that was rejected by the world but chosen by God change the way you view opposition to your faith?

QUESTION 3

Peter describes believers as 'living stones' being built into a spiritual house. How does this image challenge individualistic approaches to faith and emphasize the importance of Christian community?

QUESTION 4

The sermon mentions that our greatest need is to be right with God. Why do you think people tend to focus on other needs first, and how can we help others recognize this fundamental spiritual need?

QUESTION 5

What does it mean to you that you are a 'holy priesthood' with direct access to God, and how does this reality affect your prayer life and relationship with Him?

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QUESTION 6

The pastor warns against being 'so familiar with God that you take advantage of his grace.' How can we maintain a balance between intimate relationship with God and reverent respect for His holiness?

QUESTION 7

How are the foundations of Christianity being attacked in our culture today, and what specific actions can you take to defend and proclaim the truth of God's Word in your sphere of influence?

QUESTION 8

The sermon states 'when you choose to sin, you choose to suffer.' How have you seen this principle play out in your own life or in the lives of others, and how does this truth motivate obedience?

QUESTION 9

What spiritual sacrifices beyond giving yourself (praise, good works, financial giving) do you find most challenging to offer consistently, and why?

QUESTION 10

The pastor emphasizes that we should never be ashamed of Jesus. In what situations or relationships do you find it most difficult to boldly identify as a follower of Christ, and what would it look like to overcome that fear?

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURE:

Romans 5:8; Hebrews 11:7; Romans 6:3-4; Galatians 2:20; 2 Corinthians 5:17