

Discussion Guide: Faithful Exiles at Work

Passage: 1 Peter 2:18-25

Summary: How do you live as a faithful exile at work? How do you walk faithfully in toxic workplaces, under poor leadership, or even with managers set against you? Peter invites us to follow the way of Jesus, the path of the cross, to find that even the worst jobs can be a place of personal formation.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Peter was writing to help enslaved people being treated unjustly by their masters. While our circumstances are different, we still experience brokenness and injustice in our work. What are some current ways you experience suffering at work?
- 2. Peter tells them that their suffering is a gift and is actually part of them following in the steps of Jesus. In other words, as they suffer, they are becoming more like Jesus. How might that reality help you face struggles at work?
- 3. Peter also tells them that redemption comes through suffering. There's something beautiful God is going to do through our suffering. What is the prime example Peter shares of redemption coming through suffering? How might that help you endure suffering and the brokenness of work?
- 4. Should you stay or go? How do you discern if you should stay in a broken work situation? How do you pay attention to what God is doing in you and not just be focused on escape?
- 5. Anyone want to share a current work struggle and how God might be at work in you through it? Anyone want prayer for discerning how God might be leading you to respond? Take time to pray for each other.