

## INTRODUCTION:

Discuss the statement: Preach the Gospel, and if necessary, use words. Is this an accurate statement? What is meant by this statement?

## TAKE A LOOK AT THE BOOK:

Read 1 Peter 3:13-17

Have you ever seen someone suffer for doing what is right? What happened?

Peter says the remedy for fear of being harmed while doing good is to "in your hearts honor Christ as holy...". How do you do that?

What are ways you can tell if someone has been hurt by religion? How might that affect their response toward your faith? Is there anything about the Gospel that could provide relief, joy, and encouragement for them? Explain.

What are barriers to having conversations about Jesus? Record them and discuss how you can overcome each of those barriers.

## TAKE IT HOME:

## (Group Project)

Bring enough 3x5 cards or post it notes to group time for each person in the group. Have them write their own name at the top. Have them write the name of 3 friends, co workers, neighbors, family members that don't know Jesus that they have REGULAR contact with, someone to whom they could share the Gospel with their lips!. Switch the cards with the person sitting next to them (non-spouses) and have them pray for each other. Encourage them to take each others cards home and pray for those three individuals until the next group time, then switch them with someone else for a few times.

Pastor Jeremy encouraged us to do more studying and learning of how to defend our faith. Are there areas of your faith that you feel could be developed more? What can you do to develop that area? Who in the group will keep you accountable?