Go Deep January 8th, 2017

Resolutions: In One Year and Out the Other

To Live Life To Its Fullest
1 Peter 3:8-12

Key Verse: "the one who wants to love life and see good days must..." (1 Peter 3:10).

How would you complete the above sentence?

Which gives more satisfaction to you?

Things you buy?
Things you experience?
The experience of buying?

How do people in your world fulfill their desire to love life and see good days?

Read 1 Peter 3:8-12

What five attitudes/behaviors does the writer tell his readers to have active and alive in their lives? (1 Peter 3:8)

What do each of these words mean? How have you seen them expressed?

In verse 9, the readers are told to not do two things.

What are they?

Then he says to do something.

What is it?

What does it mean to "bless those who persecute you"?

Are we to take this literally? Are we really supposed to do this?

What is the reason Peter gives for blessing those who persecute us (1 Peter 1:9)?

1 Peter 3:10-12 is a quote from Psalm 34:12-16.

Make a list of the things we must do in order to love life and have good days.

What surprises you about the list?

This letter refers at least 15 times to the suffering the readers are experiencing - mostly at the hands of people who were opposed to their faith.

How does the advice given to them help us when we're hurt by others?

If this is the answer to how to love life and see good days, do we want to change our resolution?