



Today, we're starting a new summer-long series through the book of 1 Peter we're calling "Strangers in a Strange Land." This letter shows us how to live as faithful followers of Jesus in a world that often feels unfamiliar and at odds with our Christian values. In today's passage, Peter will show us what it means to be saved and how God's Word shapes that reality. There are plenty of religious books in the world today, but there's only one Bible—and Peter wants us to see just how unique and powerful the Bible really is. That said, today's study is titled "Our Book is Like No Other Book."

**Key Passage:** 1 Peter 1:1-12

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Who is Peter writing to in today's passage, and how does he describe them? What similarities do we share with Peter's original audience?
2. What does Peter mean by saying that we have a "living hope" through the resurrection of Jesus Christ? How can this affect how we respond to suffering or trials? How could you remind yourself of this "living hope"?
3. What contrasts do you see between the temporary trials and the eternal inheritance mentioned in verses 3–7? What practices help you fix your focus on the eternal?
4. What role does faith play in how we respond to trials, according to verses 6–9? How does Peter frame suffering? What is one way your faith has grown stronger through a difficult season?
5. If you were texting someone facing a trial, how would you incorporate Peter's themes of hope and inheritance? Similarly, how might you use today's passage to encourage a group of new believers?
6. Peter says that we rejoice even though we have not seen Jesus. What does this say about the nature of true faith? When is it hardest for you to trust Jesus without seeing immediate results?