

1 Peter 3:8 -12 - Finally, all of you be of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, be tenderhearted, be courteous; 9 not returning evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing, knowing that you were called to this, that you may inherit a blessing. 10 For He who would love life And see good days, Let him refrain his tongue from evil, And his lips from speaking deceit. 11 Let him turn away from evil and do good; Let him seek peace and pursue it. 12 For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, And His ears are open to their prayers; But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.

## I. Introduction

- a. Fire Box Part One
  - i. Sexual Passion/Fire
  - ii. Tongues of Fire
  - iii. Fire of Purpose

## II. Suffering (1 Peter 4:1-2)

- a. Suffering without the fear of the Lord pushes one away from the will of God.
- b. Suffering with the fear of the Lord pushes one towards the will of God.
- c. Some marriages are struggling because a spouse is resisting the will of God.
- d. Some of you are not growing in your marriage because you are not growing in God.

## III. Submission (Proverbs 17:3)

- a. God has designed certain contexts to be a fire box. A box is a context; a fire is what happens in it.
- b. The fire box is like a refining pot.
- c. This is why the fire box of marriage is a covenant. It is not meant to be a context one enters into lightly.
- d. God has given, by His design, contexts that He needs us to submit to in order for the refiner's fire to do its work.

## IV. Someone - Something (1 Peter 3:8-12)

- a. Pray about it.
- b. Find Scriptures about it.
- c. Confess to a trusted friend about it.
- d. Do something (work of faith) about it.



**WELCOME! OUR STRATEGY AT DPC: GATHER (GATHERINGS),  
GROUP (CONNECT GROUPS), GROW (GROWTH PHASES),  
GIVE (GIVING/GIFTING TEAMS, GO (OUTREACH)**

**SUNDAYS IN MARCH - 9A + 11A MISSIONS MARCH: MISSIO DEI**

God invites us on a mission to bless the world with the good news of Jesus Christ. First, He works in us, filling us with His message and His truth. Whenever God blesses us, it is so His blessing can flow through us to others. As He sends us out, God goes with us, and because of that we can live out the mission with confidence, knowing that He is for us. God works in us, through us, and for us so that every person can experience His glory. We are sold out to the Missio Dei (Mission of God)!

**SUNDAY, MARCH 5 - SPRING 2023 CONNECT GROUPS**

Connect Group will be meeting all over the community this day! We would love for you to get plugged into a group and experience transformation through genuine relationships with other believers. Visit the Next Steps table for more information!

**THURSDAY, MARCH 2 - 7P - 9P - NIGHT EIGHT OF OUR  
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