



**Life Group Discussion Guide**  
**The Power of Grace:**  
**The Presence of Grace – 1 Peter 1:1-9**  
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Main thought:

In Jesus, we have the presence of grace. Through His grace, we find a living hope that transcends our present circumstances.

Prayer and Fellowship

Ice-Breaker

- Share with one another one of best New Year's resolutions.
- When you think about God, what words or pictures come to mind?

Digging In

Read or recap Matthew 2:1-15, and discuss the following questions.

- What stood out to you from this passage or message?
- What encouragement do you find in knowing God cares about our situations and is not caught off guard at our suffering?
- How does Peter's doxology compare to Zechariah's doxology in Luke 1:68-79? What similar elements do you find in these praises to God?

Further Reflection

Read Titus 3:4-10.

- How does Paul echo Peter's writing in 1 Peter 1? What do each of these apostles say about the character of God?
- What does Paul encourage us to pursue and avoid? How might you resolve to focus more on those things Paul mentions to pursue in 2023?

Application

- Where are you seeing God at work in your present circumstances?
- As you begin the New Year, where can you begin to look up at the goodness and grace of God?