

1. **Believe Jesus Christ is THE authority on life because He is the only one who has conquered death (3:1)**
2. **Seek Jesus Christ and His Kingdom values (3:2)**
3. **Recognize you have eternally died to the possibility of finding life from this life (3:3)**
4. **Focus your hope on the future glory to come (3:4)**

Questions for Reflection/Discussion:

1. Why do you believe that Christ did in fact rise from the dead? (make a list)
2. Do you have a Christian family member or close friend who has died? If so, who?
How does the reality of Christ's resurrection give you hope amidst your grief?
What passages of Scripture in particular provide you that comfort (make a list)?
Do you know of someone who has recently had a friend or family member die? If so, who?
Seek to comfort them with some of these passages.
3. What are some of the sins that Christians can continue to struggle with after trusting Christ?
How does Christ's resurrection not only free us from the penalty but also the power of sin?
What passages of Scripture would you take someone to help them understand the power we have to overcome sin (make a list)?
What does overcoming sin mean? What does it not mean (ex. Perfection)?
How does conviction of sin differ from feelings of shame and guilt?
Why do you think some Christians lack joy and peace?
How could you use the above passages of Scripture to encourage them?
4. Why should we focus our hope on the future glory to come?
What exactly will be different about our future glory compared to this life?
What are some things people are often preoccupied with looking for in this life that only future glory will provide?