Week 2 - Visible Grace

1 Peter 3:18 – 4:11

Read 1 Peter 3:18-22.

1.	What do you think of God's plan for salvation in v.18? Do you think that it was necessary that
	salvation was visible, in a body?

- 2. Christ died on the cross to save us. According to v.21, He saves us personally, in time, in our bodies, through water in baptism. Why do you think He chose this visible means to attach this promise of salvation?
- 3. If in baptism we are joined to Jesus' death and resurrection, in what ways does Jesus' resurrection have an effect on us? (See v.22).

Read 1 Peter 4:1-11.

- 4. How does bodily suffering affect us spiritually? Should we pursue this? (Did Jesus?) If it comes to us, how would you describe the attitude of Christ to bodily suffering?
- 5. How might indulging the body, as in verse 3, have an effect on people spiritually? In what sense is it idolatry?
- 6. Have you ever had the experience of verse 4? How did you feel/respond?
- 7. Explore verse 8. How does love cover over sins?
- 8. Verses 9-11 talk about ways we can be visible grace in the lives of others. How is this a blessing to them? To you? Can you think of a way that you could administer God's grace to someone this week?