

# MOVING FORWARD



## **Moving Forward, Pt. 2: Serving**

Nero burned Rome in July of A.D. 64. Shortly thereafter, persecution broke out against Christians. The Apostle Peter wrote to a scattered group of Christians to encourage them and to instruct them on how to live in incredibly difficult times. What Peter wrote to these Christians is relevant to us today, more than 2,000 years later.

**Bottom Line:** Serving is essential because it is a conduit of God's grace.

## **Discussion Questions:**

1. Describe a time someone served you in a significant way. Talk about whether or not it was difficult for you to receive their act of service (help), and why.
2. What are the characteristics of one who serves others?
3. **Read Mark 10:42-45.** Why do you believe Jesus placed such a high value on serving others? What impresses you about his statement in verse 45? What priority did Jesus place on being a servant?
4. **Read Ephesians 4:11-16.** What is the result of Christians serving in the Church (e.g. body of Christ)?
5. How could you better serve within the church, the Body of Christ? What steps could you take to improve your servant's heart?
6. What was the most challenging idea/thought to you from the message?
7. What was the most helpful/encouraging thought or idea from the message this week? How did it help you?
8. How can the group encourage you this week?