New Life Small Group Questions - Sunday, May 31, 2020 HOPE Weekend/ John & Melissa Bjorgen Gahanna campus

1 The sermon spoke of suffering and the goodness of God. In the world today where there is so much suffering and evil, there is a question that is consistently asked to Christians: "How can God be loving and good when there is so much disease or death or depravity in the world?" How would you answer this question?

2 Read 1 Peter 5:6-11. Look at the words "humble" and "anxiety." How are these words used in these verses and compare the relationship of them?

3 Have you ever had a time when you have questioned the goodness of God? What caused your doubt and how did God reveal His goodness to you?

4 When going through struggles or difficult times, what ways do you cope or try to forget about the pain? Where else do you turn, in difficult times, when you do not turn to God?

Meeting on Zoom, in a parking lot, or in a room - Use this format:

- 1. Welcome everyone
- 2. Check-in with everyone. How's everyone doing?
- 3. Make plans for any ministry items you'll be doing together as a group this week.
- 4. Discuss the Small Group Discussion Questions.
- 5. Share prayer requests and then pray for each other.

If launching or starting a NEW online small group:

- 1. Pick a couple of friends.
- 2. Pick a platform to use (Zoom or any number of options!)
- 3. Pick a time to meet on-line. Then just follow the format above