



## Growth Group Homework – February 4, 2018

### The State of Seabreeze

After 30 years of being a church in this community, it is important to consider how we are doing. What is the state of Seabreeze? There are several challenges the church faces, and how we face these challenges will determine how we move into the future.

#### Warm-Up

1. Have you ever put in time to study a new language, skill, sport, subject, etc.? What did you do to learn and understand it?
2. What do you think people are motivated by?

#### Talk it Over

3. What part of the message stood out to you and why?
  4. Read 1 Peter 1:6-9. From these verses, what can the benefits be of going through trials and suffering?
- Have you ever gone through a struggle that God used to change your life?

- How has God used struggles in your life to expand your care for others?
5. Bevan explained that suffering and sacrifice are how the church got started, and it will be how the church moves forward. What do you think are some of the sacrifices we as individuals might face for the church to move forward?
  6. After starting the church in Thessalonica, Paul had to leave, but then sends Timothy to see how the church was doing. Read 1 Thessalonians 3:6-10. What do you think of Paul's response to hearing about the church?
- How does this example of Paul challenge your perspective?

#### Take it Home

7. After this week's discussion, is there anything you think you need to apply or change?