Non-Pauline Letters and Revelation

Circle the Scripture passage(s) assigned to your group:

* James 5:1–5 and 5:13–16
* 1 Peter 2:4–10 and 2 Peter 3:1–10
* 1 John 1:1–4, 2 John 1:5–6, and 3 John 1:11
* Hebrews 4:12–16
* Revelation 21:1–6

With the members of your group, refer to articles 73–75 in the student book to find the section that corresponds to the letter or book on which your group is focusing. Read the section with your group, and make note of key concepts. Be alert for these key concepts as you continue your work.

Read aloud the Scripture passage(s) assigned to your group.

Discuss the following questions, making brief notes of your group’s responses:

* What advice, encouragement, or support is offered in this passage?
* What insight does this Scripture passage give you about the challenges faced by early Christians?
* How is this advice, encouragement, or support relevant for Christians today? How can this advice or encouragement help people of faith, especially teenagers?
* If these ancient authors were writing today, what pastoral encouragement or advice would they offer?

With your group, create a bumper sticker or billboard that conveys this contemporary message of support. Be prepared to explain it to the large group.