# IPETER: HOLYAND HOPE-FILLED LIVING IN A HOSTILE WORLD

### I PETER 4:7-11

## HOLY AND HOPE-FILLED LIVING IN A HOSTILE WORLD... LIVING AS "LAST DAYS" PEOPLE

#### LIVING AS "LAST DAYS" PEOPLE (I Peter 4:7-11)

When is the end of all things?

The Rapture!

2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Christ!

THE CHURCH

The Tribulation (70<sup>th</sup> "week" of Daniel 9) The Millennial Kingdom

"The End Of All Things"

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#### "Therefore..."

- Be of sound judgment!
   Unto prayer!
- Be of sober spirit!
- Love one another
  - ✓ Fervently!
  - ✓ Practically (Be hospitable)!

#### LIVING AS "LAST DAYS" PEOPLE (I Peter 4:7-11)

Serve One Another With Your Spiritual Gift

A "spiritual gift" is a supernatural ability, given to a member of the Body of Christ, when that person becomes a believer, enabling them to minister to the Body of Christ more effectively, in the area of that gift.

- Perspective: "The end of all things is at hand!"
- Prerequisite: "fervent love for one another"
- Prevalence: "Each one!"
- Priority: "A gift (singular!)"
- Practice: "Use it in serving one another"
- Position: "Good steward of the manifold grace of God"

- Provision:
  - ✓ The manifold grace of God
  - ✓ The strength which God supplies

Particulars...

#### Speaking:

- ✓ Pastor-Teacher
- ✓ Teacher
- ✓ Evangelist
- ✓ Exhortation/Encouragement

Particulars...

#### Serving:

- ✓ Ruling/Administrations
- ✓ Helps
- ✓ Mercy
- ✓ Ministry/Serving
- √ Giving

"Ministry occurs when divine resources meet human needs through loving channels to the glory of God." (Warren Wiersbe On Being A Servant of God)

- Purpose (Ultimate!):
  - ✓ So that in all things, God may be glorified through Jesus Christ!

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# We need to live HOLY AND HOPE-FILLED LIVES, Loving well... As "Last Days" People!



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