

I PETER:
HOLY AND
HOPE-FILLED LIVING
IN A HOSTILE WORLD

I PETER 4:7-11

The end of all things is near;
therefore, be of sound judgment
and sober *spirit* for the purpose of prayer.
Above all, keep fervent in your love
for one another,
because love covers a multitude of sins.
Be hospitable to one another
without complaint.

As each one has received a gift,
employ it in serving one another
as good stewards
of the manifold grace of God.

Whoever speaks, *is to do so* as one
who is speaking the utterances of God;
whoever serves *is to do so* as one
who is serving by the strength
which God supplies;

so that in all things
God may be glorified
through Jesus Christ,
to whom belongs the glory
and dominion
forever and ever.
Amen.

HOLY AND
HOPE-FILLED LIVING
IN A HOSTILE WORLD...

LIVING AS
“LAST DAYS” PEOPLE

A man with a beard and a dark cap is standing outdoors, holding a large white sign with black text. He is also holding a rolled-up document in his left hand. The background shows a street scene with trees and buildings.

**PREPARE FOR
THE END OF
THIS WORLD**

LIVING AS “LAST DAYS” PEOPLE (I Peter 4:7-11)

FOUR QUESTIONS...

1. When is “the end of all things”?
2. How could “the end” have been “near” almost 2,000 years ago? (It hasn’t come yet!)
3. How can we take such warnings seriously, today?
4. How should these warnings affect us?

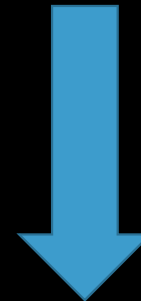
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When is the end of all things?

The Rapture!



2nd Coming
of Christ!



THE CHURCH

The Tribulation
(70th “week” of Daniel 9)

The
Millennial
Kingdom

“The End Of All Things”



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When is the end of all things?

- Previous announcements of “the end”
- Denials that “the end” is coming!
- Signs of the end being near!
- Scriptural assurances that the end is not only coming...it is “near.”

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Therefore...

Then Peter lists a series of instructions, between 10 and 12 (through v, 19) depending on how you group or divide them, that should characterize our lives

**BECAUSE THE END OF ALL THINGS
HAS COME NEAR!**

LIVING AS “LAST DAYS” PEOPLE

Peter is SO CONCERNED about this...
that the prophecies we know of the future
should affect the way we live,
that he presented it also in II Peter!

Look at II Peter 3:10-14, 17-18

LIVING AS “LAST DAYS” PEOPLE (II Peter 3:10-15, 17-18)

- Holy Conduct, 11.
- Godliness, 11
- Expectancy, 12-14.
- Diligent (not lazy!), 14.
- Peaceful, 14.
- Spotless and blameless, 14.
- Grateful (for His patience), 15

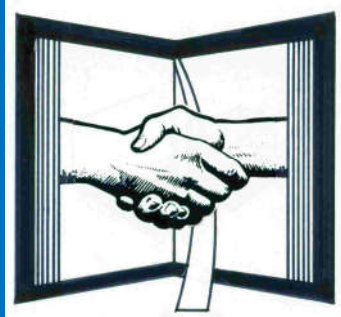
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(II Peter 3:10-15, 17-18)

- Being on your guard, 17
- Not carried away by the error of unprincipled men, 17
- Not falling from our steadfastness, 17.
- Growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

IN A WATCHING AND NEEDY,
BUT HOSTILE WORLD...

We need to live **HOLY AND
HOPE-FILLED LIVES**
As “Last Days” People!



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