

# Living in the Last Days

**1 Peter 4:7-11** The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray. **8** Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. **9** Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. **10** Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. **11** If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

**Knowing that Jesus could return at any moment should make us more committed to \_\_\_\_\_.**

2 Peter 3:3-12

1. \_\_\_\_\_ with your eyes \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Peter 4:7; 5:8

2. \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Peter 4:8-9

• \_\_\_\_\_ (*agape*)

• \_\_\_\_\_ (*deeply*)

• \_\_\_\_\_ (verse 8; *Proverbs 10:12; 1 Corinthians 13:12*)

• \_\_\_\_\_ (verse 9; *Matthew 25:35-45*)

3. Use your \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Peter 4:10-11; 1 Corinthians 4:2

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## Transformed by the Truth

### **Questions for Reflection & Discussion**

**1.** Read Romans 13:12, 1 Peter 4:8, James 5:8, 1 John 2:18, and Revelation 22:10, 12, 20. Do you think we are living in the last days? Why or why not?

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**2.** Read 1 Peter 4:7. How do you think an awareness of spiritual battle should change the way we pray? When have you prayed "warfare prayers"?

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**3.** Read 1 Peter 4:8-9. What are some ways that we can love one another deeply in the midst of a pandemic?

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**4.** Read 1 Peter 4:10-11 and 1 Corinthians 4:2. What spiritual gifts do you think you have? How have you been faithful , or unfaithful, in your use of those gifts?

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**5.** If Jesus returned today, what do you think he would commend you for? What regrets do you think you would have? How do you need to change in order to look forward to the return of Christ?

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