



### **The End in Sight | 1 Peter 4:7-11**

In 1 Peter, Peter continues to challenge us to look at life from a broader perspective than just the here and now. We have a future that awaits us where we will fully experience God's grace and redemption. In these verses in chapter four, we are challenged to live in light of what is coming.

How does your future redemption give you hope?

What effect does it have on present realities such as suffering, trials, disappointments, etc?

### **READ/REFLECT**

**1 Peter 4:7-11** ... read through these verses.

In what way is "the end of all things at hand?" Do you believe that?

What would it look like to live with that awareness moment by moment?

How would it change things to live with that awareness?

Based on "the end of all things being near," what is the identity that is true of us?

What does it mean to be "sober minded"? What is the purpose of maintaining a sober mind? (vs. 7)

How does love cover a multitude of sins? (vs. 8)

Why do people put on masks?

What does it look like to take off your mask? What does it look like to help others take off theirs?

What is hospitality? Why do we often grumble about it? (vs. 9)

How do we often use our gifts for our own purposes and interests? (vs. 10-11)

What does it look like to use our gifts according to our identity?

How does God get the glory? (vs. 11)

### **RESPOND**

What specifically will you take away from this passage? How and when will you apply that truth?

### **REACH OUT** in prayer

Ask each person in the group to share how others can pray for them to apply these truths to their lives.