

Living Like There's No Tomorrow 1 Peter 4:7-11

People have been predicting the end of the world since the beginning of the world. But Scripture declares there *will* be an end. For some, their world could end this week or this year when death pays them a visit.

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But with whatever time we have left, we should live with a sense of imminence and anticipation that God's kingdom is around the corner. There are three timeless principles that we can learn to make our lives stronger as we await the end of the age?

1.Pray Harder (v. 7)

Because Time Is **Short**

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Because Prayer Is <u>Powerful</u>

What will sustain you more than anything else is a solid prayer life

2. Love Deeper (vv. 8-9)

Love is the <u>identification</u> mark of the Christian—the birthmark

Literally means strenuously

When you love people, give it all you've got

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How To Get
People To Do
Things

The key to persuading, leading, motivating, selling, supervising, influencing, and guiding others

3. <u>Serve</u> Smarter (vv. 10-11)

Every Christian has a spiritual gift

Your gift may be <u>different</u> from somebody else's gift Whatever gift you have, you should <u>use</u> it to help other people

Some gifts are <u>noticeable</u> and others are unnoticeable, but all of them are helpful

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The reason we share our gifts with other people is to glorify God

"Manifold grace" (v. 10)

Manifold means many - colored

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Paul's description is the body of Christ; 1 Corinthians 12:4-31

God has no hands but yours; He has no feet but yours; He has no mouth but yours

We're the expression of Jesus Christ by what we do

Closing Thoughts

We belong to the greatest organization in the world

We have a product that works universally

We have offices worldwide

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We have a pretty good benefits package
We have a retirement package that's off the charts
The problem is we're running out of tomorrows; all we have is today

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Today, what will your anthem be: less for Christ, or more for Christ?

When prayer is fervent, love is preeminent, and serving is prominent, then God is glorified, the church is edified, and the world is notified that God is real