

GOD'S PROVISION TODAY AND FOREVER

- 1. What does it mean that the end of all things is at hand? (7a)
- 2. What does it look like to live in light of that? (7b-11)
- 3. Why does Peter keep talking about suffering so much? (12-19)

1. Identity (1:1-2:10)

2. Practice (2:11-4:11)

3. Summary/Conclusion (4:12-5:14)

Living With the End in Mind: Your Identity

- an inheritance...kept in heaven for you (1:4)
- guarded...for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time (1:5)
- genuineness of your faith...may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ (1:7)
- the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls (1:9)
- subsequent glories (1:11)
- grace that will be brought...at the revelation of Jesus Christ (1:13)
- He...was made manifest in the last times (1:20)
- the word of the Lord remains forever (1:25)

Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to...

1 Peter 2:11a

^{11b}...abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. ^{12a}Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God...

1 Peter 2:11b-12a

...on the day of visitation.

1 Peter 2:12b

- All toward human institutions (2:13-17)
- Servants toward masters (2:18-20)
- All toward persecutors/persecution (2:21-25)
- Wives toward husbands (3:1-6)
- Husbands toward wives (3:7)
- All toward others in Christ (3:8)
- All toward persecutors/persecution (3:9-4:6)

The end of all things is at hand; therefore....

1 Peter 4:7a

7b...be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. 8Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. 9Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: 11whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To Him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

1 Peter 4:7b-11

Living With the End in Mind: In the Face of Suffering

¹²Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. 13But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when His glory is revealed. 14lf you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. ¹⁵But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. ¹⁶Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name.

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¹⁷For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸And "If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?" ¹⁹Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

1 Peter 4:12-19

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Next Steps I will "Say Yes" to a serving role at FBC

April 18
through
May 2

Next Steps

I will ask God to empower me to suffer with His perspective

Next Steps

I will identify where I may be robbing God of His glory