

I. THE MENTALITY/ATTITUDES/MINDSET OF THE CHRISTIAN (1 PETER 4:7)

Cross References: 1 Peter 1:13; Philippians 4:5)

- A. A mind that is aware of Christ's nearness and imminent return
 - 1. "The end of all things is at hand"
- B. A mind that governs its emotions and passions
 - 1. "... therefore be self-controlled"
- C. A mind that is guided by clarity, on purpose, and obedience
 - 1. "and sober-minded"
- D. A mind that is aligned with God for effective prayer
 - 1. "for the sake of your prayers."

II. THE PRACTICALITY/ACTIONS/MEANS OF THE CHRISTIAN (1 PETER 4:8-10)

Cross References: 1 Corinthians 13:1-3; Proverbs 10:12; 1 Corinthians 13:4-6; Matthew 6:14-15, 18:21-22; Isaiah 52:13, 53:3-5, 7; Romans 12:3-21)

- A. Prioritize and strive to love (**1 Peter 4:8a**)
 - 1. "Above all, keep loving one another earnestly"
 - a. Love forgives (**1 Peter 4:8b**)
 - b. Since love covers a multitude of sins."
 - 2. Love shows hospitality (**1 Peter 4:9**)
 - a. "Show hospitality to one another without grumbling."
 - 3. Love serves through spiritual gift(s) (**1 Peter 4:10**)
 - a. "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace"

