



**Connection Group Participant Guide  
February 14, 2021**

**1 Peter 4:1-11**

**Memory Verse**

The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. – 1 Peter 4:7-8

**Key Principles**

Peter's message is quite straightforward: Be done with sin . . . Live for God . . . Love your brothers and sisters in Christ. Do this without giving it a second thought because your days are numbered. When everything seems to be falling apart, mature Christians remain calm by living for God so as to disseminate God's love to sinners who need salvation and saints who need encouragement and reassurance. We are living our lives in the shadow of eternity. And for that very reason – in view of the nearness of the end – Peter thought it best to put forth a plan for making the most of our remaining days.

**Highlight**

What are some of the commands Peter gives in verses 7-11 about relating to one another?

**Explain**

Being affiliated with Jesus' death allows believers to be "done" with sin. What do you think this means? (see also Romans 6:1-11 for a parallel passage)

**Apply**

I am done with \_\_\_\_\_ (specific sin) in my life and am surrendering it completely.

**Respond in Prayer**

- Adoration: Give God praise for the things that you see in this passage.
- Confession: Confess your known sins to God.
- Thanksgiving: Thank God for the gifts that He has given you with which to serve others.
- Supplication: Ask God to help you to live and keep His Word.