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Sermon Notes

1Peter 4:7-11 "Bucket List"

Living in light of eternity isn't something we do naturally. Most of us don't give death much thought until we lose someone close to us or have a close brush with it. How would you live if you knew you were going to die within the next year?

Live Like There's No Tomorrow by...

v7a The end of all things is at hand... James4:14; Eccl.7:4; Matt6:19-21

- ✓ Praying Fervently (G1) v7b "be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers." Pro25:26; Eph5:18; James4:2, 5:16; Ps.16:11
- ✓ <u>Loving Earnestly (G2)</u> v8 "Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins." John13:34-35; Eph4:15, 25; Pro.27:6, 17; 1Cor13:4-8
- ✓ <u>Serving</u> Faithfully (G3) vv10-11a "serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." Rom12:3-8; 1Cor12; Eph4:7-16; John4:31-38
- ✓ **Showing Hospitality (G4)** v9 "Show hospitality to one another without grumbling." Rom12:13; Heb13:1-3; Phil2:14-15; 1Pet3:15
- ...All for God's Glory! (G5) v11b "in order that in everything God may be glorified...To Him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen." 1Cor10:31

Growing Notes

- 1) How would you live if you knew you were going to die within the next year? Living in light of eternity isn't something we do naturally until death takes someone close to us or we have a close brush with it personally. Explain. What is the difference between an eternal vs. temporal bucket list?
- 2) Read 1Peter 4:7-11. How do these verses help us to understand what it means to live like there's no tomorrow (v7a "The end of all things is at hand..." James4:14; Eccl.7:4; Matt6:19-21)? Why is praying fervently a good way to begin to live like there's no tomorrow? How does self-control (Pro25:26) & sober-mindedness (Eph5:18) help us praying fervently (James4:2, 5:16; Ps.16:11)?
- **3)** Why do you think loving earnestly is a good bucket list item (v8; John13:34-35)? What does it mean that love covers a multitude of sins (Eph4:15, 25; Pro.27:6, 17; 1Cor13:4-8)? What does it mean "to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (vv10-11a; Rom12:3-8; 1Cor12; Eph4:7-16)? What will serving faithfully do for us & others (John4:31-38)?
- **4)** Showing hospitality literally means "loving the stranger" (v9; Rom12:13; Heb13:1-3). How does that relate to our desire at db to be a place where strangers become friends and friends become family (Pro18:1)? Why are we to be hospitable without grumbling, and what does grumbling reveal (Phil2:14-15)? Why do you think this is one of the best means of evangelism (1Pet3:15)? What does it mean to live for God's glory (v11b; 1Cor10:31)? How is this bucket list consistent with our 5G process at db for helping people become fully devoted followers of Christ? Pray this bucket list.