

Living for God and Loving One Another

1 Peter 4:1-11

In **today's** text, as Peter has been discussing the **theme** of Christ's **Suffering**, he will **awaken** us again to that **Cross Centered** attitude in our daily **struggle** against **sin**. He calls us Christians to **repent** of that **sinful lifestyle** we formerly had, even in the face of **hostility** from those who still **indulge** in it. **Living for God's will** in these **last days**, demands our **fervent love** for **one another** in the church, and so he calls us to **serve one another** in **love** with that **special gift** we have from God. **Living for God and loving the Church** is how **Christ** is **glorified** in our daily lives.

Today's text is **1 Peter 4:1-11**, where we will see

- **V-4:1-6 – Living for God's Will**
- **V-4:7-11 – Loving One Another**

1 Peter 1:14-16 - 14 As obedient children, **do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance,** 15 **but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all your behavior;** 16 because it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." NASB

Titus 3:3-4 - 3 For we also once were **foolish ourselves, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another.** NASB

Ephesians 4:17-24 - 17 This I say therefore, and affirm together with the Lord, that you walk **no longer just as the Gentiles also walk, in the futility of their mind, 18 being darkened in their understanding, excluded from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the hardness of their heart; 19 and they, having become callous, have given themselves over to sensuality, for the practice of every kind of impurity with greediness.** 20 But you did not learn Christ in this way, 21 if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught in Him, just as truth is in Jesus, 22 that, in reference to your former manner of life, **you lay aside the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, 23 and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness** of the truth. NASB

Colossians 3:5-11 - 5 Therefore **consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.** 6 For it is on account of these things that the wrath of God will come, 7 and in them you also once walked, when you were living in them. 8 But now you also, **put them all aside: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive speech from your mouth. 9 Do not lie to one another, since you laid aside the old self with its evil practices,** 10 and have put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him 11 — a renewal in which there is **no distinction between Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian,**

Scythian, slave and freeman, but Christ is all, and in all.

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2 Timothy 3:12 - 12 And indeed, all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. NASB

Matthew 5:10-12 - 10 "Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 11 "Blessed are you when men cast insults at you, and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely, on account of Me. 12 "Rejoice, and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you. NASB

1 Corinthians 15:22 - 22 For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all shall be made alive. NASB

1 Peter 1:13 - 13 Therefore, gird your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

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Proverbs 10:12 - hatred stirs up strife, but love covers all offenses. NASB

John 13:34-35 - 34 "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. 35 "By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." NASB

1 Corinthians 10:31 - 31 Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. NASB

Revelation 5:11-14 - 11 And I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne and the living creatures and the elders; and the number of them was myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands, 12 saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing." 13 And every created thing which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all things in them, I heard saying, "To Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, be blessing and honor and glory and dominion forever and ever." 14 And the four living creatures kept saying, "Amen." And the elders fell down and worshiped. NASB

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