

AGAINST THE WIND

A STUDY IN 1 PETER

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The Refuge of Community

Introduction

1. Live In Light of the Time (v. 7)

“⁷ The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers.” (1 Peter 4:7, ESV)

2. By the Refuge of Community

Loving One Another (v. 8)

“⁸ Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins.” (1 Peter 4:8, ESV)

Serving One Another (vv. 9-11)

⁹ Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰ As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: ¹¹ whoever 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 4:9-11, ESV)

(For a free spiritual gift test, go to giftstest.com to take one)

Digging Deeper into Following Christ

This week's passages:

Monday – 1 Peter 4:7-11

Tuesday – Romans 13:8-13

Wednesday – Romans 12:9-21

Thursday – Romans 12:3-8

Friday – John 13:1-20

Weekend – Review the most meaningful passages of the week.

Each day this week you are invited to read the day's passage and then respond to the following questions. Take special note of what God's word says about Following Christ. You might find it beneficial to use a journal or notebook to record insights.

1. Read the passage prayerfully, listening for the voice of God and asking him to speak to you.
2. Record or write down the word, phrase, or verse that God impresses upon you.
3. Reflect and write down what it is about this word, phrase or verse that is meaningful to you.
4. Respond by writing a prayer or recording what it is that you think the Lord wants you to do in response to his word (“*Be doers of the word and not hearers only*” James 1:22).