

EXILES - SANCTIFIED

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SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 4: 1-11

SCRIPTURE CONTEXT

This passage shows us a stark contrast between the lives of believers and unbelievers. As we live out our identity as exiles, the power of sin is being severed from us and its grip lessens. We can grow at being those that don't live for human passions but for the will of God. As we stop living to our fleshly desires, we will see those around us struck by our lifestyles. However they respond, we are not to lose heart, for the day of judgement is coming. As our security comes from God and our future inheritance, we can live lives that are self-controlled and prayerful, loving one another earnestly, showing hospitality and using the gifts God has given us for the glory of God through Jesus.

QUESTIONS FOR STUDY AND DISCUSSION

1. What contrasts do we see in this passage between life with Christ and life outside?
2. How does an eternal perspective help us to live this way?
3. How can we show love to one another well?
4. How are you using your gifts at the moment?