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# **WHEN WE GIVE OURSELVES AWAY**

**1 Peter 4:1-11**

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## **The PRINCIPLE:**

**When we give ourselves away,  
we make a way for Christ's life to be given.**

**2 Cor. 4:11-12** For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. **So then death is working in us, but life in you.**

## **FOUR WAYS TO GIVE YOUR LIFE AWAY:**

- 1. Imminence** - How you spend time for eternity
- 2. Intercession** - How you bring others to God
- 3. Influence** - How you invest in others now
- 4. Intentionality** - How you purposefully build the church and use your gifts

## **IMMINENCE**

**Knowing the Lord could come back at any time**

**v.3 - For we have spent enough of our past lifetime  
in doing the will of the Gentiles  
...but live according to God in the spirit.**

**How do you spend time for eternity?**

**Only those ALIVE can give their lives away!**

**Eph. 2:1-3** And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.

# **INTERCESSION**

**Bringing people before God's throne to be helped**

**1 Pet. 4:7** But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers.

**How do you protect and provide heavenly resources to yourselves and others?**

**Eph. 6:18** praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, **being watchful to this end** with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints—

**Rev. 3:2 Be watchful,** and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die, for I have not found your works perfect before God.

## **INFLUENCE**

**The Power to affect change in and around you**

**v.8 And above all things have fervent love for one another, for “love will cover a multitude of sins.”**

**How are you loving people selflessly and sacrificially?**



## **THE FAITHFUL SERVANT**

**“He needs to delight in its beauty, long for its happiness, seek for its good, and rejoice in its welfare. He must be willing to spend and to be spent for the sake of the Church.”**

**— Richard Baxter**

## **1 John 3:16**

**By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.**

**“Where love abounds in a fellowship of Christians, many small offences, and even some large ones, are readily overlooked and forgotten. But where love is lacking, every word is viewed with suspicion, every action is liable to misunderstanding, and conflicts abound — to Satan’s perverse delight.”**

**— Wayne Grudem**

## **INTENTIONALITY**

**Choosing to do something rather than nothing**

**v.10** As each one has received a gift, **minister it to one another**, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

**How are you personally serving and building up the church you are a part of?**

## **2 Corinthians. 13:4**

**For though He was crucified in weakness, yet He lives by the power of God. For we also are weak in Him, but we shall live with Him by the power of God toward you.**