

LIFE Group Leader Handout

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Go Big or Go Home

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Scripture--1 Peter 4:7-11

7 The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. 8 Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. 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.

Main Idea--Live in Light of Eternity; Rise Above Everyday Living

Since the end of all things is at hand—

- I'm through with distracted praying (v. 7)
- I'm through with passionless love (v. 8)
- I'm through with isolation (v. 9)
- I'm through with half-hearted service (vs. 10,11)
- I'm through with trivial conversation (v. 11)

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Application--

- How has the Covid--19 pandemic re-focused your life on that which is enduring? How hard is it to set your mind on the eternal and keep it there? What works for you in this area?
- Focusing in on verse 7: *be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers.* How is this verse playing out in your life right now?
- Verse 8, loosely translated: *Above all else, keep extending yourself to love one another.* What does that look like for you right now? What blessings have you noted? Where are the big challenges?