



## "Between a Hard Place and The Rock: Living in Light of Christ's Coming" (Part 2)

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### 1 Peter 4:7b-8



7 The end of all things has come near; therefore, be of sound and sound mind for the purpose of prayer. 8 Above all, remain fervent in your love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. 9 Be hospitable to one another, without complaint. 10 As each one has received a spiritual gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 11 If anyone speaks, [let him speak] as the utterances of God; if anyone serves, [let him serve] out of

the strength supplied by God; so that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory and power forever and ever. Amen!

– 1 Peter 4:7-11, As translated from the Greek New Testament by T. Bartolucci.

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The Passage is Also Found on Page 182 of the New Testament Section of the Pew Bibles

## Introduction

A mind fused on Christ's coming is focused on persevering in prayer, practicing love, and pursuing God's glory.

### I. What is our Motivation? (7a)

#### A. To Live in Light of Christ's Coming

*"The end of all things has come near . . . "*

1. Note the Perfect Tense (usually translated w/words, "has," or "have") - The perfect tense is a past-tense with results that continue into the present
2. But . . . What does this mean?

## II. What is our Mission? (7b-11a)

A. To be Serious about P (7b)

1. "Sound and Sober mind" translates two verbs - both are imperatives

a. The first verb *sophoneo* (σωφρονεω) - to be serious, sensible, sound (cf. Mark 5:15)

B. To be Selfless in our L (8-11a)

1. The Priority of our love (8a)

2. The Nature of our love (8b)

3. The Depth of our love (8b)

4. The Effect of Our Love (8c)

## Conclusion