

METAMORPHOSIS

DISCUSSION GUIDE

DISCUSSION GOAL



Discuss what it looks like to live with gospel urgency. Discuss how living the way Peter outlines in today's passage, squashes apathy.

ICE BREAKER



What is your favorite pastime or hobby?

TEXT



Have a member of your group read the passage aloud.

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

MESSAGE OUTLINE



This is what our pastoral team observed about the passage.

Big Idea: Gospel urgency defeats apathy.

Key Question: How do we live with gospel urgency?

1. Devote yourself to love. (vv. 7-8)
2. Demonstrate hospitality. (v. 9)
3. Diligently serve. (vv. 10-11)

DISCUSSION



- Even nearly 2000 years ago, Peter wrote that the end is at hand (v.7). How would you change how you live your life if you knew the end was coming this year?
- With the end of all things at hand, Peter calls us to earnestly love one another (v.8). What are some ways it's easy for you to show others love and what are some ways it's more challenging for you?
- In verse 9, Peter urges his readers to practice hospitality. Think about someone who has shown you amazing hospitality in the past. What did they say or do? How are you at showing hospitality? What would it look like for you to show hospitality with generosity and a joyful heart?
- Peter states in verse 10 that each believer has been given a gift to use for the good of the church. What gift(s) has the Lord given to you? How are you using them in and outside of the church? If you're not sure what your spiritual gifts are, consider taking a spiritual gift assessment. There is one located on the Life Group Leader Resource page. (see 1 Corinthians 12 for more info about gifts)
- Reread today's passage. How does living the way Peter outlines in these verses squash apathy and bring glory to God? In what ways does spiritual apathy try to sneak into our lives?

LIFE APPLICATION



The end of all things is at hand! How can we love others, practice hospitality and use our gifts in light of this truth and squash spiritual apathy? As a group, discuss what next steps you need to take to live a life of Gospel Urgency.

jot your ideas below and send a picture to your group to remind everyone of your action steps this week.

PRAYER REQUESTS


