FIRST PETER ^{The Christian's} Life in Exile – Part 23

4:7-11— "Christ Glorified Among His People"—September 13, 2015

"New life in Christ is lived in a community of loving service." —Edmund Clowney

<u>The Christian's Election and Exile</u>—1 Peter 1:1-2 <u>The Christian's Living Hope</u>—1 Peter 1:3-11 <u>The Christian's Life in Relation to God</u>—1 Peter 1:13-2:3 The Christian's Conduct—1 Peter 4:1-11 <u>The Christian's Position in the People of God</u>—1 Peter 2:4-10 <u>The Christian's Obligations in the People of God</u>—1 Peter 2:11-3:12 <u>The Christian's Sufferings</u>—1 Peter 3:13-3:22

The Christian's Conduct Among Believers—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."

"The end of all things is at hand; therefore..."

- Peter gives to these Christians four specific commands regarding how they are to conduct themselves as God's People in light of the fact that they find themselves living in the last days.
- 1. "...be self-controlled and sober-minded..."

Why? "...for the sake of your_____..."

2. "Above all, keep loving one another earnestly..."

<u>Why?</u> *"…because love covers a multitude of*_____…"

3. "Show hospitality to one another..."

In what way? "... without _____..."

4. "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another..."

Spiritual Gifting: Rom. 12:6-8; 1 Cor. 12:7-12; Eph. 4:11-13

In what way? "...as good ______ of God's varied grace..."

Two categories of God's gifting:

⇒ Gifts of _____: *"…whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God…."*

⇒ Gifts of _____: *"…whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies…"*

<u>For what purpose?</u> *"…in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen."*

What is Peter doing in this passage?

Peter wants Christians to be mindful that their time here is _____.

Peter wants Christians to be reminded that as God's people they are to live in	_ to
one another.	

Peter wants to remind Christians that God's _____ is to be displayed in Jesus' _____!