

1 Peter 4:1-11
Dead to Sin and Living for God
Sermon Notes

Living for God gives us hope, even when we face suffering.

1 Peter 4:1

*1 Peter 3:18—Jesus died for you to come to God.

*1 Peter 2:24—Jesus died to sin, and we can too, through Him.

*Our attitude should be that of Christ. “I am dead to sin and living for God.”

1 Peter 4:2-3

*As our relationship, with God through Christ, grows we will want **our will less** and **God’s will more**.

*George Muller was an excellent example. His greatest lesson in life was **not** learning how to get things from God, but learning how to **want what God wants**.

1 Peter 4:4

*Not everyone will understand. You may need to suffer for doing what is right.

*Don’t take it personally, it’s a spiritual issue. They are just against God.

*You, however, are dead to sin and living for God.

1 Peter 4:5

*Choosing to die with Christ, on the cross, brings life. Choosing to live a life on earth without Him, brings judgement that leads to death.

1 Peter 4:6

*What we do with Christ, on earth, impacts our earthly life and eternal life.

*John 5:24—We should be concerned for those who have not found life.

1 Peter 4:7

*The time is coming soon, when the choice to choose Christ is gone.

*We need to be alert, sober and ready, to be used by God. And we need to pray that the dead find life in Christ.

1 Peter 4:8

*Don’t see others as their worst mistake, see them as the person God created them to be.

*Show others what true love looks like. They won’t know unless we show them.

1 Peter 4:9

*Genuine hospitality goes a long way to show the difference Christ can make in a believers life.

1 Peter 4:10-11

*You just need to be available, to be used by God.

*If your only ability is your availability, perfect! God will do the rest!

When you answer God’s call to serve, because you are dead to sin and living for Him, God’s name will be praised.

To Him be the glory and power for ever and ever, Amen.

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