



## All for God's Glory PART II (1 Peter 4:7-11)

### Serving for God's Glory

"But **the end** of all things is at hand; therefore **be serious and watchful in your prayers**. And above all things **have fervent love** for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins." **Be hospitable** to one another without grumbling. As each one has **received a gift, minister it to one another**, as **good stewards of the manifold grace** of God. If anyone speaks, let him **speak as the oracles of God**. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with **the ability which God supplies**, that **in all things God may be glorified** through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen." I Peter 4:7-11 NKJV

### I Peter 4:7-11

- ☑ *"But the **end of all things** is at hand; therefore be **serious and watchful** in your prayers." I Peter 4:7 NKJV*
- ☑ **The End of all things...no better place to understand the end than in the words of Y'shua in Matthew 24!**

- ☑ “But he who **endures to the end shall be saved**. And **this gospel of the kingdom will be preached** in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and **then the end will come**.” Matthew 24:13-14 NKJV
- ☑ **Serious and watchful in prayers because the end is at hand—what does that end look like?**
- ☑ “Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be? **And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?**” And Jesus answered and said to them: “**Take heed that no one deceives you**. For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and will deceive many. And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, **but the end is not yet**. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of sorrows.” Matthew 24:3-8 NKJV
- ☑ **Trials and Testing**
- ☑ ““Then they will **deliver you up to tribulation** and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name’s sake. And then many will be offended, **will betray one**

**another, and will hate one another.** Then many false prophets will rise up and **deceive many.** And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold." Matthew 24:9-12 NKJV

☑ **Then the admonition we just saw...**

☑ "But **he who endures to the end shall be saved.** And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and **then the end will come.**" Matthew 24:13-14 NKJV

☑ **What signs should you look for?**

☑ ""Therefore when you see the '**abomination of desolation,**' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (whoever reads, let him understand), [**the antichrist**] "**then** let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house. And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! **And pray** that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath. For then there will be **great tribulation,** such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be

saved; **but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.**" Matthew 24:15-22 NKJV

☑ **Then look out for false teachers and prophets!**

☑ "“Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There!’ **do not believe it.** For **false christs and false prophets** will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. See, I have told you beforehand. “Therefore if they say to you, ‘Look, He is in the desert!’ do not go out; or ‘Look, He is in the inner rooms!’ do not believe it. For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. **For wherever the carcass is, there the eagles will be gathered together.**” Matthew 24:23-28 NKJV

☑ **Then the end of the end...**

☑ "“**Immediately after the tribulation of those days** the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. **Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven,** and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will **see the Son of Man coming** on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and

**they will gather together His elect** from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.” Matthew 24:29-31 NKJV

☑ **The Parable of the Fig Tree**

- ☑ ““Now learn this parable from the fig tree: **When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves,** you know that summer is near. **So you also,** when you see all these things, know that it is near—at the doors! **Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place.** Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.” Matthew 24:32-35 NKJV

☑ **Think of Noah as an example of how that generation should get ready!**

- ☑ ““**But of that day and hour no one knows,** not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. **But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.** For as in the **days before the flood,** they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, **so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.** Then two men will be in the field: **one will be taken and the other left.** Two

women will be grinding at the mill: **one will be taken and the other left. Watch therefore**, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming. **But know this**, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, **he would have watched** [*ah... 1 Peter 4:7, be serious and watchful*] and not allowed his house to be broken into. **Therefore you also be ready**, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." Matthew 24:36-44 NKJV

☑ **Think of Joseph as an example of what ready looks like— a wise steward...**

☑ ““Who then is a **faithful and wise servant**, whom his master made **ruler over his household**, to **give them food in due season**? Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, **will find so doing**. Assuredly, I say to you that **he will make him ruler over all his goods**.”  
Matthew 24:45-47 NKJV

☑ **Y’shua was surely speaking of Joseph as the faithful and wise servant!**

☑ **Pharaoh’s Dreams:** “Then **Pharaoh sent and called Joseph**, and they brought him quickly out of the dungeon; and he shaved, changed his clothing, and came to Pharaoh. And Pharaoh said to Joseph, “I have

had a dream, and there is no one who can interpret it. But I have heard it said of you that you can understand a dream, to interpret it." So Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, "**It is not in me; God will give Pharaoh an answer of peace.**" Then Pharaoh said to Joseph: "Behold, in my dream I stood on the bank of the river. Suddenly seven cows came up out of the river, fine looking and fat; and they fed in the meadow. Then behold, seven other cows came up after them, poor and very ugly and gaunt, such ugliness as I have never seen in all the land of Egypt. And the gaunt and ugly cows ate up the first seven, the fat cows. When they had eaten them up, no one would have known that they had eaten them, for they were just as ugly as at the beginning. So I awoke. Also I saw in my dream, and suddenly seven heads came up on one stalk, full and good. Then behold, seven heads, withered, thin, and blighted by the east wind, sprang up after them. And the thin heads devoured the seven good heads. So I told this to the magicians, but there was no one who could explain it to me." **Then Joseph said to Pharaoh,** "The dreams of Pharaoh are one; God has shown Pharaoh what He is about to do: **The seven good cows**

**are seven years, and the seven good heads are seven years;** the dreams are one. And the seven thin and ugly cows which came up after them are seven years, and the seven empty heads blighted by the east wind are seven years of famine. This is the thing which I have spoken to Pharaoh. God has shown Pharaoh what He is about to do. **Indeed seven years of great plenty will come throughout all the land of Egypt; but after them seven years of famine will arise,** and all the plenty will be forgotten in the land of Egypt; and the famine will deplete the land. So the plenty will not be known in the land because of the famine following, for it will be very severe. **And the dream was repeated to Pharaoh twice because the thing is established by God,** and God will shortly bring it to pass. **“Now therefore, let Pharaoh select a discerning and wise man, and set him over the land of Egypt.** Let Pharaoh do this, and let him appoint officers over the land, to collect one-fifth of the produce of the land of Egypt in the seven plentiful years. And let them gather all the food of those good years that are coming, and store up grain **under the authority of Pharaoh,** and let them keep food in the cities. Then that food shall be as a reserve



for the land for the seven years of famine which shall be in the land of Egypt, that the land may not perish during the famine.”” Genesis 41:14-36 NKJV

- ☑ **This is what the faithful and wise servant looks like!**  
*“Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing” (Matthew 24:45-47).* “So the advice was good in the eyes of Pharaoh and in the eyes of all his servants. And Pharaoh said to his servants, **“Can we find such a one as this, a man in whom is the Spirit of God?”** Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, **“Inasmuch as God has shown you all this, there is no one as discerning and wise as you. You shall be over my house, and all my people shall be ruled according to your word;** only in regard to the throne will I be greater than you.” And Pharaoh said to Joseph, **“See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt.”** Then Pharaoh took his signet ring off his hand and put it on Joseph’s hand; and he clothed him in garments of fine linen and put a gold chain around his neck. And he had him ride in the second chariot which he had; and they cried out before him, “Bow the knee!” **So he set him over all the land of Egypt.** Pharaoh also said to Joseph, **“I am Pharaoh, and**

without your consent no man may lift his hand or foot in all the land of Egypt.”” Genesis 41:37-44 NKJV

☑ **In the end this is the outcome for those who miss it—the hypocrites...**

☑ “**But if that evil servant says in his heart, ‘My master is delaying his coming,’ and begins to beat his fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunkards, the master of **that servant will come on a day when he is not looking** for him and at an hour that he is not aware of, **and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites.** There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” Matthew 24:48-51 NKJV**

☑ “*And above all things have **fervent love for one another**, for “love will cover a multitude of sins.” Be **hospitable** to one another without grumbling. As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as **good stewards** of the manifold grace of God.” I Peter 4:8-10 NKJV*

☑ **Fervent Love**

☑ **The single most important indicator of a disciple:** “By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have **love for one another.**”” John 13:35 NKJV

☑ **Love is not; Love is:** “Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, **but have not love**, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, **but have not love, I am nothing**. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, **but have not love, it profits me nothing**. Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. **Love never fails**. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away.” I Corinthians 13:1-10 NKJV

☑ **The greatest of these is love:** “When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish

things. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known. **And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.**" I Corinthians 13:11-13 NKJV

### Hospitality

**Entertaining Strangers:** "Let brotherly love continue. **Do not forget to entertain strangers**, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained angels." Hebrews 13:1-2 NKJV

**You were strangers:** "The stranger who dwells among you shall be to you as one born among you, and you shall **love him as yourself**; for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God." Leviticus 19:34 NKJV

**Given to hospitality:** "Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. **Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love**, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, **given to hospitality.**" Romans 12:9-13 NKJV

## ☑ Stewardship

- ☑ **Steward:** manager, agent, overseer, custodian, caretaker  
—employed to manage another's belongings!
- ☑ **Stewards of the mysteries:** “Let a man so consider us, as servants of Christ and **stewards of the mysteries** of God. Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.” I Corinthians 4:1-2 NKJV
- ☑ **Read 1 Corinthians 2:** “But **we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom** which God ordained before the ages for our glory...**But God has revealed them to us through His Spirit.** For the Spirit searches all things, yes, the deep things of God.” I Corinthians 2:7, 10 NKJV
- ☑ **Note:** To understand what it means to be a good steward of the mysteries of God, read the Parable of the Soils (Matthew 13:1-23) and the Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-30)

## ☑ The manifold grace of God

- ☑ **Grace:** Supernatural Empowerment
- ☑ **Power and revelation:** “Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints, do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers: that the God of our Lord

Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, **may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, the eyes of your understanding being enlightened**; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is **the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe**, according to the working of **His mighty power which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead** and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come. And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all." Ephesians 1:15-23 NKJV

- ☑ **Impart Grace:** "Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may **impart grace** to the hearers." Ephesians 4:29 NKJV
  
- ☑ *"If anyone speaks, let him **speak as the oracles of God**. If anyone **ministers**, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in **all things God may be glorified** through Jesus*

*Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.” I Peter 4:11 NKJV*

- ☑ **Speaking the Word—don’t make up your own stuff!**
- ☑ **The advantage of knowing God’s word:** “What advantage then has the Jew, or what is the profit of circumcision? Much in every way! Chiefly because to them were **committed the oracles of God.**” Romans 3:1-2 NKJV
- ☑ **Y’shua only spoke the oracles of God:** “Jesus answered them and said, **“My doctrine is not Mine, but His who sent Me.** If anyone wills to do His will, he shall know **concerning the doctrine,** whether it is from God or whether I speak on My own authority. He who speaks from himself seeks his own glory; but **He who seeks the glory of the One who sent Him is true,** and no unrighteousness is in Him. **Did not Moses give you the law, yet none of you keeps the law?** Why do you seek to kill Me?”” John 7:16-19 NKJV
- ☑ **Why do you not understand Y’shua’s speech? Because you do not know the Word (the oracles of God)!** “Jesus said to them, “If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; **nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me. Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to**

**listen to My word.** You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. **When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.** But because I tell the truth, you do not believe Me. Which of you convicts Me of sin? **And if I tell the truth, why do you not believe Me?** He who is of God **hears God's words;** therefore you do not hear, because you are not of God." John 8:42-47 NKJV

- ☑ “But I know you, that you do not have the love of God in you. **I have come in My Father's name,** and you do not receive Me; **if another comes in his own name, him you will receive.** How can you believe, who receive honor from one another, and do not seek the honor that comes from the only God? Do not think that I shall accuse you to the Father; there is one who accuses you—Moses, in whom you trust. **For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me; for he wrote about Me. But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?**” John 5:42-47 NKJV

- ☑ “Then Jesus cried out and said, **“He who believes in Me, believes not in Me but in Him who sent Me.** And he who



sees Me sees Him who sent Me. I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness. **And if anyone hears My words and does not believe, I do not judge him;** for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world. **He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him— the word that I have spoken will judge him** in the last day. **For I have not spoken on My own authority; but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak.** And I know that His command is everlasting life. Therefore, **whatever I speak, just as the Father has told Me, so I speak.**”” John 12:44-50 NKJV

### Ministry Calling

- God has dealt to each one a measure of faith:** “For I say, **through the grace given** to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, **as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.** For as we have **many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function,** so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. **Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given**

**to us, let us use them:** if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness." Romans 12:3-8 NKJV

- ☑ **Spiritual Gifts:** "Now concerning **spiritual gifts**, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant: You know that you were Gentiles, carried away to these dumb idols, however you were led. Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit. **There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all.** But the **manifestation of the Spirit** is given to each one for the profit of all: for to one is given the [1] **word of wisdom** through the Spirit, to another the [2] **word of knowledge** through the same Spirit, to another [3] **faith** by the same Spirit, to another [4] **gifts of healings** by the same Spirit, to another the [5] **working of miracles**, to another [6] **prophecy**, to another [7] **discerning of spirits**, to another different kinds of [8]

**tongues**, to another the [9] **interpretation of tongues**. But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills." I Corinthians 12:1-11 NKJV

☑ **Do not compare yourself to anyone else!** How to consider those gifts when compared to others: "For **as the body is one and has many members**, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ. For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body— whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free— and have all been made to drink into one Spirit. For in fact the body is not one member but many. If the foot should say, "**Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body,**" is it therefore not of the body? And if the ear should say, "**Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body,**" is it therefore not of the body? **If the whole body were an eye, where would be the hearing?** If the whole were hearing, where would be the smelling? But now **God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased.** And if they were all one member, where would the body be? But now indeed there are many members, yet one body. And the eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you"; nor again the head to

the feet, "I have no need of you." No, much rather, those members of the body which seem to be weaker are necessary. **And those members of the body which we think to be less honorable, on these we bestow greater honor;** and our unpresentable parts have greater modesty, but our presentable parts have no need. But **God composed the body, having given greater honor to that part which lacks it,** that there should be no schism in the body, but that the members should have the same care for one another. And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it. **Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually.** And God has appointed these in the church: first **apostles**, second **prophets**, third **teachers**, after that **miracles**, then gifts of **healings, helps, administrations**, varieties of **tongues**. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? But earnestly desire the best gifts. **And yet I show you a more excellent way."**  
I Corinthians 12:12-31 NKJV [What is the more excellent way? Love in 1 Corinthians 13]

 **Do all things to Glorify God**

- ☑ “Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, **do all to the glory of God.**” I Corinthians 10:31 NKJV
- ☑ “And whatever you do in word or deed, **do all in the name of the Lord Jesus,** giving thanks to God the Father through Him.” Colossians 3:17 NKJV

### **NEXT WEEK**

All for God's Glory PART III (1 Peter 4:12-19)