

For the week of November 15, 2020

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A Life of Distinction

Tenth week in the series: FLOURISH

1 Peter 4:1-11

As Peter starts to wrap up the ideas in the book, he returns to the theme of suffering. In this passage, he specifically addresses the suffering of living life in a counter-cultural way. He provides three mindsets which help the follower of Jesus to flourish in the midst of such suffering. We can be encouraged to have a Jesus mindset, an eternal mindset, and a one another mindset.

Discussion Questions:

1. When have you experienced discomfort from living differently from others?
2. How does knowing that you and others will "give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead" change the way you live?
3. What does it mean to you that "the end of all things is at hand"?
4. To what extent have you bought into either a conservative or progressive view of history?
5. Are you using your spiritual gift in service to the community?
6. How can you develop a plan for hospitality when the pandemic ends?