

**LIVING IN LIGHT OF CHRIST'S RETURN
(1 Peter 4:7-11) pt 4**

Ephesians 2

I. YOUR PRESENT SUFFERING & TRIALS REQUIRE...

**A. A MINDSET That Is PREPARED to SUFFER for Righteousness Sake IN Doing GOD'S WILL
(4:1-6)**

B. A MENTALITY That is BIBLICAL and PRAYERFUL In Light of Christ's RETURN (4:7)

**C. A MINISTRY to OTHERS that is _____ and SPIRITUALLY
_____ Motivated by _____ (4:8-11)**

1. The priority **horizontally** is for you to have a _____ (4:8a)

2. The practice of _____ is an important expression of _____ love
for one another (4:9)

* What is to be involved by us in 2013, if this is to be a reality at GGBC?

3. The proper exercising of our _____ is needed in the _____ of
the Body of Christ (4:10-11)

• Some factors concerning "ministry" to understand from 1 Peter 4:10-11

a. God wants to use _____ at GGBC as a *channel of ministry* to
accomplish His will here(4:10a).

b. The ability for effective service & ministry involves a _____ that is
received at the moment of _____! (4:10b)

• How do I know what my spiritual gift is?

• Is your service limited by your spiritual gift?

c. The *spiritual basis* of ministry or proper use of a spiritual gift is _____, not your own _____ (4:10c)!

- What is God's grace?

d. The *reality & mutual benefit* of ministry involves actually _____ (4:10).

e. The *instrument* which God uses to serve & minister in the body is that of a " _____ " (4:10).

- What is a "good steward"? (1 Corinthians 4:1-2)

f. The two categories of service or ministry mentioned are:

1) that of _____ God's word (4:11a)

- How are we to speak His word ?

2) that of _____ : _____ / _____ one another within the body.

- How is this to be accomplished? (4:11b)

g. the ultimate objective in ministry or service of your spiritual gift is that in _____ God may be _____. (4:11c)

- Who is the very means of accomplishing this?
- What should this cause us to do?
- How does this apply to you?