



Questions for Further Study

18th February 2024

1 Peter 4:1-11

1. (v1) We are to arm ourselves with the same attitude as Jesus. Why do you think Peter chose the word “arm”? What attitude is he talking about?
2. (v3-5) Eventually, all will stand before God to give an account of their actions and words. In the past, preachers leaned heavily towards warning of eternal punishment. Do you think this message has been lost in recent times? How do we keep a balance between the messages of merciful love and God’s judgement when speaking to unbelievers?
3. (v7) How does Christ’s imminent return spur us to pray? What should we pray for?
4. (v8) We are called to love one another and offer forgiveness. Why is this important? How can we deal with divisions between Christians? (This could be between individuals, a congregation, or denominations).
5. (v9) What does it mean to offer hospitality? (see also Rom 12:13, Heb 13:2). How could offering hospitality cause you to grumble or complain?
6. (v10-11) We are to serve each other by using our gifts and talents. Why is this important? Are you doing this already? In what ways can we make room for people to practice their gifts? (We have a thriving youth and children’s dept, for instance. How can we encourage them to take their place in the wider church family?)