

1 Peter Class Schedule

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Outline*

- A. Suffering for Righteousness 3:13-4:6
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- B. The Believer's Suffering with Christ 4:7-11
 - 1. Living in the Light of the Shortness of Life
 - a. The Basic Statement of Fact v7a
 - b. How to Live in Light of the Lord's Return v7b-11
 - 2. Three Areas of Emphasis in Regard to Suffering

* adapted from McCalley₂

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⁸ Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins.

⁹ Be hospitable to one another without complaint.

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⁷ The end of all things is near; therefore, be of sound judgment and sober *spirit* for the purpose of prayer



“the end of all things” was near in the past and continues to be near up into the present and on into the future – denotes a state of permanence

- “the end of all things” can happen at any moment
- all things = the way things are now
- the cosmos is not going to end (cease to exist)
- God’s plan is for a new heaven and new earth
- end = termination, of time or purpose lit: end goal or end design is in view
- Peter is talking about God’s game plan*
- Peter is saying the goal is right there in sight*
- This is a statement about the imminent return of Christ

* Merryman₄

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therefore - based on the impending return of Christ !!

^{1st} - be of sound judgment – *sōphroneō* - to use sound judgment and moderation, to be self-disciplined Vine

- McCalley calls it a “balanced mind”

^{2nd} - sober – *napho* - means to be sober as over against being drunk and further carries the idea of a cool, calm, collected mind. McCalley

in your prayers Interlinear

The Lord's desire from this verse is that we would be at rest when we pray trusting Him with the results.

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above all – lit: before all things in order of importance

keep fervent in your love for one another

fervent - *ektenēs* - stretched out, continual, intense

- This word is used to describe a horse at full gallop and a runner straining for the tape at the finish line of a race. Vine
- remember “love” is a fruit of the spirit
- as we walk by the Spirit this love can be manifested
- our part is to exercise faith

for one another – among yourselves Interlinear

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love covers a multitude of sins

This tells us about the importance of our love for one another (our brother or sister in Christ).

covers - kalyptō - to envelop, wrap around as bark, skin, shell or plaster, to cover over

But let's recall first, how did Christ's love cover all sins:

- 1 John 2:2 and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for *those of* the whole world.
- 1 John 4:10 In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.
- 1 John 4:14 We have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son to be the Savior of the world.

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Christ's love covers a multitude of sins in the believer's life!

- Love is patient,
- love is kind and is not jealous;
- love does not brag and is not arrogant,
- (love) does not act unbecomingly;
- it (love) does not seek its own,
- (love) is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered,
- (love) does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth;
- (love) bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.
- Love never fails.

1Cor 13:4-8

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⁹ Be hospitable to one another without complaint.



hospitable - philoxenos - hospitable, loving strangers,
from *philos* – brotherly love

see 1Tim 3:2, Heb 13:2

complaint - gongysmos - "a murmuring, muttering"; of
displeasure or complaining (more privately than in public),
example: said of Grecian Jewish converts against Hebrews

Acts 6:1

see Phil 2:14

"In other words, don't extend hospitality and whisper
gripes about it when company can't hear!"

McCalley

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serving one another as good stewards of the manifold
grace of God.

each one according as he received a gift Interlinear

each one - this is a believer

according as – *kathos* – in whatever quantity

he received – *lambano* - to receive what is given or
imparted

a gift - *charisma* - a gift involving God's grace. A
special God given ability to function
in the body of Christ (the church).

McCalley

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- God has given every believer at least one gift (spiritual).
- These spiritual gifts are discussed in 1 Cor. 12-14, Rom. 12 and Eph. 4
- Certain gifts are clearly the possession of the Church today: (1) the gift of teaching, (2) the gift of helping or ministering, (3) the gift of administration or ruling, (4) the gift of evangelism, (5) the gift of being a pastor, (6) the gift of exhortation, (7) the gift of giving, and (8) the gift of showing mercy.

Walvoord

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employ it in serving one another

ministering it to each other

Interlinear

ministering - *diakoneō* - to render any kind of service

- Observe that the gift is to be used to minister to fellow believers and not for yourself.
- Spiritual gifts are revealed to be given sovereignly by God, and as such, they are not properly the objects of men's seeking.

Walvoord

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as good stewards of the manifold grace of God

stewards - *oikonomos* - the manager of a household or estate" (*oikos*, "a house," *nemo*, "to arrange")

- used of teachers of the Word of God, 1 Cor. 4:1, of elders in churches, Titus 1:7 and of believers generally, 1 Pet. 4:10. Vine

manifold - *poikílos* - variegated, many-colored

- We are to reflect the many faceted grace of God consistently. McCalley

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- now Paul will tell us about using the gifts that God has provided!

^{1st} – whoever speaks

whoever – lit: if anyone – assumed to be true

speaks – *la/leo* - of one teaching, meaning to teach, preach

- speaking the word of God from Scripture in this verse

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is to do so – supplied verb

as one who is speaking the utterances of God

utterances - *logion* - a word, narrative, statement;
a Divine response or utterance, an oracle

Heb 5:12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you have need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God, ---

- this expression is used for an utterance of deity and serves to confine the man's message to the Word of God.

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^{2nd} - whoever serves

whoever - lit: if anyone – assumed to be true

serves – *diakoneō* - to be a servant or to minister

- of the ministry of believers one to another in various ways
- What are some of these ministries?
- Paul has already told us about the speaking gifts - now he addresses the gifts of service.

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is to do so - supplied verb

as one who is serving by the strength which God supplies

by - *ek* - out of

strength - *ischys* - denotes might, strength, power

which God supplies [this is God the Holy Spirit's ministry]

- In light of the Lord's return, there is to be empowered service.

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so that – with a purpose that

in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ

to whom belongs - in whom there is

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the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen

- God is glorified in the ministry of Christian believers to one another.

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