RESILIENCE IN FAITH IN A WORLD

## PETER

PETER 1:7 THESE HAVE COME SO THAT THE PROVEN GENUINENE OF YOUR FAITH-OF GREATER WORTH THAN GOLD. WHICH PERISHES EVEN THOUGH REFINED BY FIRE MA RESULT IN PRAISE GLORY AND HONOR WHEN JESUS

## **SMALL GROUP GUIDE**

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## Living with the End in Mind

Throughout the New Testament, teachings about the future are presented as the basis for how Christians are to live in the present. The church is to be a community of people whose commitments to the lordship of Jesus lead to transformed dispositions and behaviors. Hope in a future that is going somewhere produces confidence to live each day with that future in view.

## Read 1 Peter 4:1-11.

- What comes to mind when you hear people talking about the 'end times '?
- What is meant here by the phrase 'the end of all things' (1 Peter 4:7a)? (see Isaiah 4:6:10; Ephesians 1:7-10)
- How does God's promised future, as outlined in the Scriptures, affect the way you view your life today? (see 2 Timothy 1:12)
- Why might an alert and sober mind be important for a meaningful prayer life (1 Peter 4:7b)? (see Philippians 4:6-7)
- What does the Apostle Peter mean by the exercise of a deep love that covers a multitude of sins (1 Peter 4:8)? (see 1 Corinthians 13:4–7)
- What is the express purpose of the spiritual gifts as stated here (1 Peter 4:10)?
- Are you loving the people God has put in your life deeply?
- Are you growing in the use of your gifts in your service to others?