Christianity- "Living it" at the End of Days

Christianity: Learning to Live 2 Peter 3:1-18 Pastor Phil Winfield March 25, 2012 But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers. 1 Pe 4:7

Final instructions for Christians <u>living it</u> at the end of the age - Beloved"... remember...!

- 1. Live it in spite of wicked **mockers** (verses 1-7)
 - a. They rejoice in hedonism's practice
 - b. They ridicule Heaven's promise
 - c. They reject Heaven's participation.
 - d. They **reserve** their own eternal punishment
- 2. Live it in light of His patient **mercy** (verses 8-9)
 - a. Don't forget that God is timeless
 - **b.** Don't forget that God is **<u>tenderhearted</u>**
- 3. Live it in view of the worldwide **meltdown** (verses 10-13)
 - a. Recognize the **temporal** nature of material possessions
 - b. Realize the **<u>eternal</u>** value of spiritual living
 - c. Don't rationalize the **practice** of worldly living
- 4. Live it in eagerness by staying on mission (verses 14-16)
 - a. Look for Jesus
 - b. Live peacefully
 - c. Strive for holiness
 - d. Reach out to the lost
 - 5. Live it in consistency and growing *maturity* (verse 17-18)
 - a. Keep on going
 - **b.** Keep on **growing**

Some people are reserved **for the fire** (2 Pet 3:7) Some people have an inheritance **reserved in heaven** (1 Pet 1:3-4) Some people have their **reservations** (2 Peter 3:4)

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