Message Notes

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Date: July 22, 2018 **Bible Focus:** 1 Peter 4:1-7

Current Series: Between 2 Worlds (A Study in 1 Peter)

Message Title: From This Day Forward

1 Peter 4:1-7 - Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because he who has suffered in his body is done with sin. ² As a result, he does not live the rest of his earthly life for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God. ³ For you have spent enough time in the past doing what pagans choose to do-living in debauchery, lust, drunkenness, orgies, carousing and detestable idolatry. ⁴ They think it strange that you do not plunge with them into the same flood of dissipation, and they heap abuse on you. ⁵ But they will have to give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. ⁶ For this is the reason the gospel was preached even to those who are now dead, so that they might be judged according to men in regard to the body, but live according to God in regard to the spirit. ⁷ The end of all things is near. Therefore be clear minded and self-controlled so that you can pray.

1.	Put	(4:1-6)
	We must:	
	• R	
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2.	Maintain	(4:7)
	We must be:	
	Changed by	
	Empowered by	
	 Devoted to 	

Questions for Reflection and Discussion

1 Peter 4:1-7

- 1. In marriage vows, what commitments are the couple making *from this day forward*? How will a spouse know if the other has taken their vows seriously?
- 2. Consider the 3-R's Pastor Dave mentioned in his message: Resolve, Remind, and Resilient. How do you see all three playing out in the "Put Sin Behind You" commitment Peter calls for in verses 1-6? Comment on each one of these areas as it relates to this text...
 - · Resolve -
 - Remind -
 - Reason -
- 3. How have you seen a "Put Sin Behind You" commitment make a difference in your walk with God?
- 4. What difference should an "end of all things is near" perspective make in how a believer lives?
- 5. How is vigilance connected to a clear mind and self-control?
- 6. What connection, if any, is there between vigilance and prayer? Why are both essential in putting sin behind you?
- 7. In what ways do you see this message focus making a significant difference in a "from this day forward" commitment? What outcome might you expect to see?