

*When life is hard...*  
*1 Peter 4:7-11*  
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Introduction

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Keep trusting in God. 1 Peter 4:7

- Application: pray specifically for the situation

Keep loving people. 1 Peter 4:8-10

- Application: find someone who is going through a difficulty and love them

Keep depending on God. 1 Peter 4:11

➤ The word *provides* means lavish provision.

➤ Application: love one person altruistically by depending on God

***1 Peter 4:7-11***

<sup>7</sup> The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray. <sup>8</sup> Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. <sup>9</sup> Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. <sup>10</sup> Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. <sup>11</sup> If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.