

SERMON: What is the Universal Priesthood of Baptized Believers?**TEXT: 1 Peter 2:5, 9; 4:7-19**

Introduction: "The end" (*telos*) means, "an end, term, a termination, a completion." *Telos* refers to a consummation, a goal achieved, a result attained, or a realization. "The end" is used in chapter 4 by Peter to refer to the end of the present Christian age which will be brought about by the return of Christ in glory.

NOTE: What are the responsibilities of The Universal Priesthood of Baptized Believers?

1. Be _____ (v.7a).
2. Be watchful in your _____ (v. 7b).
3. Express fervent _____ (v.8).
4. Be _____ and don't _____ about it (v. 9).
5. Share your God-given _____ (vs. 10-11).

BEWARE lest you become Discouraged!

1. Don't be shocked by _____ (v.12).
2. Don't _____, be _____ (v.13).
3. Don't be embarrassed to _____ (vs.15-16).
4. Give God the _____ He deserves (vs.16-18).
5. _____ yourself to God – (v.19).

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