



## “*Spiritual Sobriety*”

*A Proper Perspective*

*I Peter 4:7-11*

*It enables us to supernaturally:*

**I. See** - “be ye therefore sober and watch” (v. 7)

*Keeping us :*

**A. Serious** - “the end of all things is at hand”

**B. Steady** - “be ye therefore sober”

**C. Seeking** - “watch unto prayer”

**II. Share** - “Use hospitality one to another” (vs. 8-9)

*Keeping hospitality:*

**A. Prioritized** - “above all things”

**B. Personalized** - “fervent charity among yourselves”

**C. Popularized** - “without grudging”

**III. Serve** - “even so minister the same one to another” (vs. 10-11)

*Keeping an ambition of:*

**A. Distributors** - “stewards of the manifold grace of God”

**B. Doers** - “as of the ability which God gives”

**C. Devotees** - “that God in all things may be glorified”

### Sentence Sermon:

“*Spiritual sobriety enables us to be alert to the dangers around us provoking us to a balanced response bathed in prayer.*”

### Additional Verses

- *Proverbs 17:9; 10:12*
- *John 13:34-35*
- *Romans 15:5-7*
- *I Peter 2:5*
- *Hebrews 13:14-16*
- *Acts 2:42-47*
- *Isaiah 13:6-11*
- *Ephesians 3:18-21*
- *I Corinthians 12:4-12*
- *I Corinthians 13:1-3*
- *Romans 12:3-10*
- *Hebrews 13:2*
- *Proverbs 11:12-13*
- *James 5:20*

### Questions to Ponder:

1. What are the key words in this passage?
2. Who is the central character of the passage?
3. What difference does it make if the end of all things is at hand?
4. What are some examples of people who are not sober spiritually?
5. How does the dynamics of watching and praying work together?
6. What are the “all things” that charity is above?
7. What does it mean for charity to cover the multitude of sins?
8. How would you define hospitality in terms of today 2017?
9. What makes a good steward of the grace of God?
10. What does verse 11 teach us about the use of our spiritual gifts?