

# EXILES - ESTABLISHED

## SMALL GROUP NOTES 14/04/19

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## SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 5: 6-14

## SCRIPTURE CONTEXT

This talk explores the hope we have as exiles of Christ that it is he who establishes, keeps and calls us to himself. We laser in on verses 6-11, particularly looking at some of the challenges to our journey and the hope we find in Jesus to overcome.

## QUESTIONS FOR STUDY AND DISCUSSION

1. Verse 6 tells us humility is key to living in the goodness of God. What do you think genuine humility looks like, as compared to a false humility? Can you think of any examples, especially in your own life?
2. Verse 7 tells us we are to cast our anxieties onto Him because He cares for us. Why do you think Peter wrote this as a command rather than as an encouragement? How is a command helpful for when we are feeling anxious?
3. Peter makes a link between being firm in our faith and remembering other believers who have suffered yet still stood up to the devil and his schemes. What examples do we have of those who have stood firm in their faith that inspire us to do the same?
4. In verse 10, Peter reminds the churches that God is able to 'restore, confirm, strengthen and establish' them. Which of these words stands out for you personally, and why? Are any of these required for a situation you are currently facing?