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I Peter 5:5-12

⁵ In the same way, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. All of you clothe yourselves with[Ⓜ] humility toward one another, because

**God resists the proud
but gives grace to the humble.**[Ⓜ]

⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you at the proper time, ⁷ casting all your cares on him, because he cares about you. ⁸ Be sober-minded, be alert. Your adversary the devil is prowling around like a roaring lion, looking for anyone he can devour. ⁹ Resist him, firm in the faith, knowing that the same kind of sufferings are being experienced by your fellow believers throughout the world.

¹⁰ The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ,[Ⓜ] will himself restore, establish, strengthen, and support you after you have suffered a little while.[Ⓜ] ¹¹ To him be dominion[Ⓜ] forever.[Ⓜ] Amen.

¹² Through Silvanus,[Ⓜ] a faithful brother (as I consider him), I have written to you briefly in order to encourage you and to testify that this is the true grace of God. Stand firm in it! ¹³ She who is in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings, as does Mark, my son. ¹⁴ Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.[Ⓜ]

I. Follow your church Elders. (Leaders)

⁵ In the same way, you who are younger, be subject to the elders.

II. Be humble all the time!

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but gives grace to the humble**

⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you at the proper time,

---Clothe...cover yourself

---Humility.... Self abasement/lowliness of mind.

John 13: ⁶ He came to Simon Peter, who asked him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?"

⁷ Jesus answered him, "What I'm doing you don't realize now, but afterward you will understand."

⁸ "You will never wash my feet," Peter said.

Jesus replied, "If I don't wash you, you have no part with me."

⁹ Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not only my feet, but also my hands and my head."

II Cor 12: ⁷ especially because of the extraordinary revelations. Therefore, so that I would not exalt myself, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to torment me so that I would not exalt myself.

---There is the promise of assistance when we humble ourselves.

III. "Cast" because he cares!

⁷ casting all your cares on him, because he cares about you.

---Cast...to throw something on someone else

IV. Pay attention to yourself, surroundings, and the devil!

⁸ Be sober-minded, be alert. Your adversary the devil is prowling around like a roaring lion, looking for anyone he can devour. ⁹ Resist him, firm in the faith, knowing that the same kind of sufferings are being experienced by your fellow believers throughout the world.

---Be sober minded means do not be intoxicated and also can imply keeping your mind clear.

---Be on the lookout for the enemy

1 Tim 4:1-2 Now the Spirit explicitly says that in later times some will depart from the faith, paying attention to deceitful spirits and the teachings of demons, ² through the hypocrisy of liars whose consciences are seared.

John 13:27 After Judas ate the piece of bread, Satan entered him. So Jesus told him, "What you're doing, do quickly."

Luke 22:31 "Simon, Simon,^{1a} look out. Satan has asked to sift you^{1b} like wheat. ³² But I have prayed for you^{1c} that your faith may not fail. And you, when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers."

---Be mindful of how to handle temptations and trials.

⁹ Resist him, firm in the faith, knowing that the same kind of sufferings are being experienced by your fellow believers throughout the world.

-Resist the devil.

-Stand firm against the devil.

-Remind yourself you are not alone!

V. Remind yourself that help is on the way!!!!

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---God is sovereign

---God promises to help us

---God will decide on the timing of the trouble

