

Living in Exile: God's Grace

1 Peter 5:5-14

1 Peter 5:5 Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."

6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, 7 casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. 8 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. 9 Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. 10 And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. 11 To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

12 By Silvanus, a faithful brother as I regard him, I have written briefly to you, exhorting and declaring that this is the true grace of God. Stand firm in it. 13 She who is at Babylon, who is likewise chosen, sends you greetings, and so does Mark, my son. 14 Greet one another with the kiss of love.

Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

BI: You need God's [grace](#).

Notes:

- **Why you need it –**
- **What blocks it –**
- **How to get it –**
- **How God uses suffering in your life –**

Application in Community

Welcome: Grace is a place to belong. If you would like to get connected in our community, ask for Tiea Hanson at the Information Center or email her at tieah@gracechurchseattle.org or give us a call 206.937.8400.

Application Questions:

1. What is GOD doing in your life these days? [Go around the room and listen for ways to pray for each other]
2. As we read scripture today, we will use a bible study technique (Observation, Interpretation, Application) to help each of us figure out what the passage means and how it applies to us.

We will read through the passage 3 times, each time focusing on a different aspect of the passage (please don't get ahead of the question):

- 1st – Read 1 Pet. 5:5-11 – what repeated words do you Observe?
- 2nd – Read 1 Peter 5:5-11 – what do these words mean? (Interpretation)
- 3rd – Read 1 Peter 5:5-11 – How does this passage apply to you?

3. Now what? What are we supposed to do as a result of reading this scripture?

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