

1 Peter

SERIES TITLE: 1 Peter

SERMON TITLE: Humble Yourself

SERIES KEY TEXT (NKJV): 1 Peter 5

OTHER TEXT (NKJV, ESV): 1 Peter 5:1-10, Acts 20:28, 1 Corinthians 15:9-11

Big Idea: As God's chosen people, we are called to live as foreigners in this world marked by hope, holiness, and a heavenly identity because our true home is not here but with Christ. Trials may test your faith, but they are meant to refine it, shaping you into someone who lives with reverence, love, and purpose. Redeemed from an old way of life, we now walk in a new one that reflects God's glory. To live as a foreigner is to live distinctly, not blending in but standing out as a representative of God's Kingdom. Our hope is anchored in eternity, our conduct reflects God's holiness, and our love flows from a pure heart. Though the world is not our home, we have been marked to reveal God's nature in it, living each day with our eyes fixed on the city He has prepared for us.

In the final sermon of the series, Pastor Walker urges us to walk in humility, honour spiritual authority, cast our worries on God, and remain spiritually alert. He reminds us that God gives grace, cares deeply for us, and will strengthen and reward those who remain faithful.

1 Peter 5:1-10 NKJV

The elders who are among you I exhort, I who am a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that will be revealed: Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly; nor as being lords over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock; and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away. Likewise, you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud But gives grace to the humble." Therefore, humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you. Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary, the devil, walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world. But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you.

God Bless You!

The Connection Groups Office

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Leader Heads-Up: Taking attendance and sending your report helps keep everyone informed about who might need a little extra love this week.

A. Start Talking

Our Connection Groups Campaign, titled '*Each One Reach One*', is just around the corner this June 2025! It's more than a campaign; it's a movement to reignite connection, relationships, and community in our groups. So here's the big question: What creative or intentional steps is your group planning to reconnect with CG members who have stopped attending? Let's inspire one another!

B. Start Thinking

1. Read **1 Peter 5:6 NKJV**. Since pride is rooted in lies and humility in truth, what's one practical way you choose to humble yourself in everyday life? Share a habit or practice that helps you stay grounded.
2. **1 Peter 5:7 NKJV** says, '*...casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.*' What makes it hard for you to let go of worry? How does knowing God genuinely cares for you help you trust Him with your anxieties?
3. **1 Peter 5:8-9 NKJV** urges us to '*Be sober and vigilant*' because the enemy is actively seeking whom he may devour. What are some practical ways you cultivate a sober, alert life? How do you stay spiritually vigilant in your daily routine?

C. Start Praying

Pray that the Lord will help you to walk in humility, honour spiritual authority, release every worry to Him, and remain spiritually alert.

D. Start Doing

1. **Lead Willingly and Model Integrity:** Serve those entrusted to you with eagerness and by example, not obligation or control.
2. **Submit Humbly To Spiritual Authority:** Recognize and respond to Godly leadership with honour and cooperation.
3. **Clothe Yourself With Humility Daily:** Intentionally embrace a posture of truth and grace in how you view yourself and others.
4. **Resist The Enemy With Unwavering Faith:** Stay alert, stay grounded in the Word, and stand firm, knowing you're not alone in the battle

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