

# FIRST PETER

## The Christian's Life in Exile —Part 27

5:5-7—“The Humility of God’s People”—October 25, 2015

*“I am persuaded that love and humility are the highest attainments in the school of Christ and the brightest evidences that He is indeed our Master.” —John Newton*

The Christian’s Election and Exile—1 Pet. 1:1-2

The Christian’s Position in the People of God—1 Pet. 2:4-10

The Christian’s Living Hope—1 Pet. 1:3-11

The Christian’s Obligations in the People of God—1 Pet. 2:11-3:12

The Christian’s Life in Relation to God—1 Pet. 1:13-2:3

The Christian’s Sufferings—1 Pet. 3:13-3:22

The Christian’s Conduct—1 Pet. 4:1-11

The Christian’s Instructions for Suffering Well—1 Pet. 4:12-5:14

### Exhortation to Humility—1 Peter 5:5-7

*“<sup>5</sup> 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.”<sup>6</sup> Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you,<sup>7</sup> casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.”*

Peter’s Exhortation to the Young: Be \_\_\_\_\_ [hypotassō] to the elders!

- ⇒ The term used here is the exact term he used previously in the “Household Code” portion of the letter (2:13, 18; 3:1, 5, 22).
- ⇒ It is used in reference to the young in general and to young men in particular.

This exhortation is given in light of the reality that Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_. (5:4)

### Humility in the Believing Community:

- ⇒ Clothe [egkomboimai] yourselves:
- ⇒ Who should do this?
- ⇒ This humility is to be exhibited in the life of the church.

The grounds of Peter’s exhortation: Proverbs 3:34 (LXX)

To relate to one another in pride is to completely misunderstand the \_\_\_\_\_.

## To Know God is to be Humble

*“Humble yourselves...”*— “The subject...is passive in God’s hands and is acted upon by Him.”—Wuest

The Mighty Hand of God:

⇒ Representative of God’s *power* (Ps. 89:21), in particular, His *salvation* (Ex. 3:20; Acts 4:28) and *judgment* (1 Sam. 7:13; Heb. 10:31) as well as His *security* and *protection* (Lk. 23:46; Jn. 10:29).

God’s sovereign will for our lives is to be accepted with a \_\_\_\_\_ that produces humility.

*“...that in the proper time He may exalt you...”*

Believers must always remember that suffering is both purposeful and \_\_\_\_\_.

*“...casting all your anxieties on Him because He cares for you”*

We are of \_\_\_\_\_ to our Heavenly Father. (Ps. 23; 121:3; Lk. 12:22-34; Rom. 8:31-32)

What is Peter doing in this passage?

Peter is exhorting Christians to trust God with the anxieties of life that arise both within the \_\_\_\_\_ and outside of it among the surrounding culture.

Peter is reminding Christians of the link between \_\_\_\_\_ and humility.

Peter is again calling us to worship Jesus and to follow in His \_\_\_\_\_.