

Flag Branch Missionary Baptist Church  
Baptist Training Union

**“1st and 2nd Peter and Jude”**

Called To Live For God

**Study Eight: Called To Eternal Glory – 1 Peter 5:1-11**

1. Therefore, I exhort the elders among you, as your fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the glory that is to be revealed,
2. Shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight (overseers) not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to the will of God; and not for sordid (dishonest) gain, but with eagerness;
3. Nor yet as lording it over those allotted (entrusted) to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock.
4. And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.
5. You younger men, likewise, be subject (submit) to your elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble.
6. Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time,
7. Casting all your anxiety (cares) on Him, because He cares for you.
8. Be of sober spirit, be on the alert (vigilant). Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.
9. But resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same experiences of suffering are being accomplished by your brethren who are in the world.
10. After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm (establish), strengthen and establish (settle) you.
11. To Him be dominion forever and ever. Amen.

## Discussion

- A. How would you describe "Christian Leadership"? On what basis did Peter appeal to "the elders" in his letter. ver. 1
- B. What should be the attitude of "church elders"? What aspects of this attitude should or could apply to all Christian leadership? ver. 2-3.
- C. What is the expectation of exercising faithful leadership? ver. 4
- D. Who are the "younger"? In what way are they to do "likewise"? ver. 5
- E. Contrast the difference between "pride and humility" and "the humble and the proud". ver. 5
- F. To whom and for what purpose do Christian's humble themselves? ver. 6
- G. What should Christian's do with their concerns? Why? ver. 7
- H. "Alert", "sober", "serious", "vigilant", and "watchful" are all words that describe how Christians must be. What does this mean? ver. 8
- I. Why does Peter describe the devil as the Christian "adversary"? How could a Christian be "devoured" by the devil? Ver. 8
- J. How should Christians contend with their adversary? What should their attitude be toward suffering? ver. 9.
- K. How long would you consider a "little while" to suffer? ver. 10.
- L. What is the end or outcome of Christian suffering for the cause of Christ and righteousness? ver. 10.
- M. Why do you think the "glory of God" that is promised to Christians surpasses all the suffering and sacrifices that must be endured for the Lord's sake?