

Clothing Ourselves with Humility

Introduction:

- A. 1 Peter 5:5-6 are words written by “Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ” (1:1), in (likely) 62 or 63 A.D.
- B. Consider their significance, especially in light of Peter’s personal past.

I. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another

- A. Peter could remember the _____.
 - 1. Mark 9:30-50 — “Be at peace with one another.”
 - 2. Mark 10:35-45 — “Even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve.”
 - 3. Luke 22:14-27 — “I am among you as the one who serves.”
- B. But Peter could also remember the _____ of Jesus (John 13:1-5).
- C. **Clothe** (*enkombōsasthe* — to bind on) yourselves with **humility** (*tapeinophrosynēn* — lowliness of mind) toward one another (Phil 2:3-5).

II. For God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble

- A. Peter could remember the _____ and _____.
 - 1. Matthew 16:21-28 — “You are not setting your mind on the things of God.”
 - 2. Matthew 18:21-35 — “I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven.”
 - 3. Matthew 26:30-35 — “You will all fall away because of me this night.”
 - 4. Matthew 26:58-75 — “Before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times.”
- B. But Peter could also remember the grace of _____.
 - 1. Luke 22:31-32 — “When you have turned again, strengthen your brothers.”
 - 2. Mark 16:1-8 — “Go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee.”
 - 3. Isaiah 57:15; John 21:1-19 — “Feed my lambs. Tend my sheep. Feed my sheep. Follow me.”

III. Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you

- A. Peter could remember the mighty _____ of God.
 - 1. John 13:5-8 — “What I am doing you do not understand now...”
 - 2. John 21:20-22 — “You follow me!”
- B. But Peter also believed that at the proper time, God would _____ him (1 Pet 1:3-9).

Invitation:

- A. When Jesus first called him, Peter fell and said, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man” (Luke 5:8).
- B. He grew to ask with confidence, “Lord, to whom shall we go?” (John 6:68-69).
- C. He boldly proclaimed the good news of that truth in Acts 2:36-39, an invitation which still stands.