

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS TO THE SUFFERING SOJOURNER
PART 1: HUMBLY SUBMIT TO GOD BECAUSE HE IS IN CONTROL AND CARES
1 PETER 5:5-7

- I. **THE YOUNGER...likewise HUMBLY SUBMIT TO GOD *BY SUBMITTING TO THOSE HE HAS PLACED TO CARE FOR (SHEPHERD) YOU* (5a)**

- II. **EVERYONE...HUMBLY SUBMIT TO GOD *BY CONTINUALLY CLOTHING YOURSELVES WITH HUMILITY TOWARDS ONE ANOTHER*, humbly caring for each other (serving) (5b-c)**
 - A. **HOW? Have the mind of Christ** in regard to humble loving obedience which see others as more important and thus serves them (5b, Phil. 2)

 - B. **WHY? Recognize God is against the proud but gives grace to the humble** (5c)

- III. **Therefore...HUMBLE YOURSELVES UNDER GOD, *BY CASTING YOUR CARES UPON A MIGHTY AND CARING GOD* (6-7)**
 - A. **The COMMAND: Therefore...Humble yourselves under God (6a)**

 - B. **The PROMISE: If you do, He will lift you up at the right time (6b, cf.10)**

 - C. **HOW DO I DO IT? Humble yourselves by casting your cares upon Him (7)**

 - D. **WHY? Because He cares for you... (5, 6, 7)**
 - 1. if you don't, God is against you (5c)
 - 2. If you do, **He gives grace** (5c)
 - 3. **He is a Mighty God, fully in control** (6a)
 - 4. **He will lift you up at the right time** (6b)
 - 5. **He cares for you** (7)