



**Connection Group Participant Guide**  
**March 7, 2021**

**1 Peter 5:8-14**

**Memory Verse**

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. – 1 Peter 5:6-7

**Key Principles**

We come now to Peter's final instructions to Christians living in a time of "exile." He is calling them to "stand" on the basis of three spiritual truths which they must remember.

First, *remember that you are in a spiritual war and act accordingly.* The devil prowls and seeks. Second, *remember that God's eternal purpose is certain.* After you have suffered a little while, God will restore you. And He has all the power for ever and ever. Nothing can derail God's purpose. Nothing can thwart His plan. Third, *remember the fellowship of the church and Christian friends.* We are family. We need each other. We support each other. We look after each other.

**Highlight**

What are some names or pictures that are used in Scripture to describe the devil? (John 8:44, 14:30; 2 Cor. 11:4; Eph. 2:2; Rev. 12:9)

**Explain**

Why is it significant that the focus of 1 Pet. 5:10-11 is all on God's ability instead of our own?

**Apply**

Look back at our study in 1 Peter. What is one action step that you want to take going forward as you walk with Jesus?

**Respond in Prayer**

- Adoration: Give God praise for the things that you see in this passage.
- Confession: Talk with God about your real need for His presence in your life.
- Thanksgiving: Thank God for the victory you will see at the Supper of the Lamb.
- Supplication: Ask God to guard over you, lead you, and guide you until that day.