

SMALL GROUP GUIDE **JUN 29, 2025**

A Resilent Church

We have reached the conclusion of our study of 1 Peter. This section makes up the final teaching from the Apostle in this letter. Unlike some other New Testament letters, we are not given here a summary of the main themes or argument but a final exhortation, a series of imperatives encouraging us to live out our faith in the challenges of our time.

Read 1 Peter 5:5-11.

- What is the greatest danger to a resilient faith (1 Peter 5:5)? (see Proverbs 16:18)
- How is anxiety, an unhealthy worry about your life or your future, an enemy of your faith (1 Peter 5:7)? (see Matthew 6:25-27; Philippians 4:6-7)
- What is your understanding of the person of the devil? How, if at all, does the Bible's view differ from yours (1 Peter 5:8)? (see John 8:44; Ephesians 4:26-27; Ephesians 6.11; 2 Corinthians 2:10-11; 2 Corinthians 4:4; 1 John 3:7-8)
- How do we best resist the devil's influence in our lives (v.9)? (see James 4:7; Colossians 1:21-23)
- In what way might Peter be speaking of his own experience here (1 Peter 5:10)? (see John 21:15-19; Luke 22:31-32)
- What worry or anxiety do you need to cast on God today?
- Where do you need to be restored or made strong in your faith today?