

Live New! In Battle

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In these end times, the _____ must be ready for
_____.

¹ To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder and a witness of Christ's sufferings who also will share in the glory to be revealed: ² Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve; ³ not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. ⁴ And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away. **1 Peter 5:1-4, NIV**

Servant-leaders...

- Are thoughtful leaders since this is God's _____.
- Serve out of free choice, not _____.
- Care about what they _____, not what they _____.
- Lead by _____, not by _____.

In spiritual war, _____ matters, because faithful leaders are critical to our final _____.

⁵ In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."

⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. ⁷ Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. **1 Peter 5:5-7, NIV**

In spiritual war, _____ matters, because a humble attitude is critical to God's _____.

⁸ Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings. **1 Peter 5:8-9, NIV**

In spiritual war, _____ matters, because an alert mind is critical to _____ the _____.

¹⁰ And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. ¹¹ To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

¹² With the help of Silas, whom I regard as a faithful brother, I have written to you briefly, encouraging you and testifying that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it.

¹³ She who is in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you her greetings, and so does my son Mark. ¹⁴ Greet one another with a kiss of love.

Peace to all of you who are in Christ. **1 Peter 5:10-14, NIV**

In spiritual war, the _____ of God matters most of all, because God's grace is critical to _____ fast in faith.

¹ Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to God's elect... ² who have been chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through the sanctifying work of the Spirit, to be obedient to Jesus Christ and sprinkled with his blood: Grace and peace be yours in abundance. **1 Peter 1:1-2, NIV**

¹⁰ Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. **1 Peter 4:10, NIV**

MEMORY VERSE

I have written to you briefly, encouraging you and testifying that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it. **1 Peter 5:12, NIV**

My next step: I will stand fast in the true grace of God, which is mine in abundance. I will steward that grace for God's glory.

What's your next step today?

Mark it on your Communication Card.