

Greenforest Community Baptist Church

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“Teaching on Tuesdays” w/ Pastor Emory Berry, Jr.

“IT WILL ALL BE WORTH IT IN THE END”

1 Peter 5:5-11 (NIV) – July 7, 2020

SPIRITUAL TRUTH

All of us like wins, victories, triumph, success, achievements, attainments, and accomplishments. However, suffering, sacrifice, and surrender always come before any of these. Yet and still God has promised us victory if we submit, trust, and follow Him in spite of opposition.

I. Who was Peter?

1. Disciple & apostle of Christ
2. Fisherman & brother of Andrew
3. Declared Jesus as the Christ & walked on water
4. Cut off a soldier’s ear & denied Jesus 3 times
5. Spoke up at Pentecost & led thousands to Christ
6. Known also as Cephas & Petros
7. Martyr who died upside down on a cross

II. Peter encourages shepherds to:

1. Suffer like Christ for God’s glory (v.1)
2. Shepherd/Pastor the flock under your care (v.2)
3. Willingly watch over the flock (v.2)
4. Not pursue dishonest gain (v.2)
5. Be eager to serve (v.2)
6. Not be dictators (v.3)
7. Be example to the flock (v.3)

8. Hang in there because a crown of Glory will be given by the Chief Shepherd (v.4)

III. Peter reminds us in Ch. 5 that...

1. The devil is real
2. We will face demonic opposition
3. Evil spirits are often around us
4. Satan wants us to be defeated and hopeless

IV. What does verse 8 teach us about Satan?

1. Satan is our “enemy”
2. Satan “prowls around like a roaring lion”
3. Satan is “looking for someone to devour”

V. What are the instructions given in v.5-10?

1. We should submit to the elders (v.5)
2. We should exercise humility towards others (v.5)
3. We should humble ourselves under God (v.6)
4. We should cast all of our anxiety on Christ (v.7)
5. We should be alert and of sober mind (v.8)
6. We should resist the devil (v.9)
7. We should stand firm in our faith (v.9)
8. We should suffer for a little while (v.10)

VI. What are the promises of God in v.5-11?

1. God will show favor to the humble (v.5)
2. God will lift us up in due time (v.6)
3. God will care for us (v.7)
4. God will give us grace (v.10)
5. God will call us to his eternal glory in Christ (v.10)
6. God will restore us (v.10)
7. God will make us strong, firm and steadfast (v.10)
8. God will “maintain all power” FOREVER (v.11)