

Callings and Conclusions

1 Peter 5:1-11

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1. A _____ to _____ (1-4)

- Peter issues a powerful challenge to pastors:
 - “exhort” – *parakalēō* – to beseech or to call for
 - “elder” – *prēsbūtērōs* – speaks of the shepherd or pastor or overseer, while emphasizing spiritual maturity (same word in verse 5)
 - “shepherd” – *pōimainō* – supervise
- John 10:11, Hebrews 13:20, Acts 20:28, John 10:12-13.

2. A _____ to _____ (5-9)

- Peter issues a call with a _____ and a _____ in this passage:
 - The challenge: to live with “humility” – *tapēinōphrōsunē* – humbleness of mind.
 - Two important things about this challenge:
 - We should all desire to give God our burdens; and
 - He wants us to do just that because he cares deeply for us.
 - The caution: we have a dangerous opponent in our battle called life. The devil’s plan for us is to “devour” – *katapinō* – us (to gulp, to drown, to swallow up).
- Luke 14:11, Psalm 55:22, 1 Peter 1:13, 1 Peter 4:7, James 4:7-10, Ephesians 6:13.

3. A _____ for _____ (10-11)

- Verse 10 tells us four things “The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ,” will personally do:
 - “restore” – *katartizō* – to make perfect
 - “establish” – *stērizō* – to fix or to steadfastly set
 - “strengthen” – *sthēnōō* – to confirm in spiritual knowledge and power
 - “support” – *thēmēliōō* – to ground or to settle
- Verse 11 explains how God can fulfill these promises and why we can trust Him:
 - _____ - ultimate power; all strength; dominance
 - _____ - in perpetuity; endlessly; always