

“Strengthening the Weary”

1 Peter 5:1-11

I. Stick Together

A. Corporate Identity

1 Peter 2:5

you also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices that are acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

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B. Shepherds

1. Who they are

Acts 14:23

When they had appointed elders for them in every church, having prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

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2. What they are to do

John 10:4

When he puts all his own sheep outside, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice.

Vs. 14,15 - I am the good shepherd, and I know My own, and My own know Me, just as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep.

Acts 20:28-30

Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. I know that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves men will arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them.

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3. How they are to do it

4. Their Motivation

C. Young Men

D. The Whole Congregation/Flock

A. What they were to do

Romans 12:3

For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith.

Philippians 2:3,4

Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.

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A. *What they were to do*

B. *Reason for doing this*

“Pride is the dandelion of the soul. Its root goes deep; only a little left behind sprouts again. Its seeds lodge in the tiniest encouraging cracks. And it flourishes in good soil: The danger of pride is that it feeds on goodness.”

- David Rhodes

“The focus of health in the soul is humility, while the root of inward corruption is pride. In the spiritual life, nothing stands still. If we are not constantly growing downward into humility, we shall be steadily swelling up and running to seed under the influence of pride.”

- J.I. Packer

Luke 7:30

“But the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected God’s purpose for themselves, not having been baptized by John.”

I. Stick Together

II. Surrender to the Lord

A. Exhortation

B. Expectation

C. The Starting Point

III. Be Prepared for Spiritual Conflict

A. Think Clearly

B. Resist the Devil

C. Encouragement

D. Promise

So after you have suffered a little while,
he will restore, support, and strengthen
you, and he will place you on a firm
foundation. (NLT)

