

# STAY CONNECTED IN TRIALS

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*“Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. 6 Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: 7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. 8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: 9 Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. 10 But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you. 11 To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.” (1 Peter 5:5-11)*

## INTRODUCTION

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*“Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.”  
(2 Timothy 3:12)*

*“If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. 19 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.” (John 15:18-19)*

*“But he knoweth the way that I take: when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.” (Job 23:10)*

*“Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy word.”  
(Psalm 119:67)*

## 1. A UNIVERSAL \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 5)

### A. A Humble \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 5a)

*“Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.”  
(Ephesians 6:1)*

*“There is a generation that curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother.” (Proverbs 30:11)*

*“For the son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law; a man’s enemies are the men of his own house.” (Micah 7:6)*

**B. A Humble \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 5b)**

*“But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve.”  
(Luke 22:26)*

*“For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.” (Romans 12:3)*

**C. A Humble \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 5c)**

*“These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: 17 A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,” (Proverbs 6:16–17)*

*“Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished.”  
(Proverbs 16:5)*

*“But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.” (James 4:6)*

*“By humility and the fear of the LORD are riches, and honour, and life.” (Proverbs 22:4)*

*“Though the LORD be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly; but the proud he knoweth afar off.” (Psalm 138:6)*

*“Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.” (James 4:10)*

**2. AN UNLOADED \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 7)**

**A. A Daily \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 7a)**

*“It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to eat the bread of sorrows: for so he giveth his beloved sleep.” (Psalm 127:2)*

**B. A Directed** \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 7b)

*“Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.” (Philippians 4:6)*

*“Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?” (Matthew 6:25)*

**3. AN UNRELENTING** \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 8)

**A. A Disciplined** \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 8a)

*“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” (Ephesians 6:12)*

*“For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.” (1 Corinthians 2:11)*

**B. A Destructive** \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 8b)

*“But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.” (2 Corinthians 11:3)*

*“For this cause, when I could no longer forbear, I sent to know your faith, lest by some means the tempter have tempted you, and our labour be in vain.” (1 Thessalonians 3:5)*

**4. A UNIFIED** \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 9)

**A. An Engaging** \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 9a)

*“Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.” (Ephesians 6:16)*

*“I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.” (Philippians 4:13)*

*“Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,” (Ephesians 3:20)*

*“Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,” (Jude 1:24)*

*“Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.” (Isaiah 41:10)*

**B. An Encouraging** \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 9b)

*“And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.” (Revelation 12:9)*

*“For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.” (Hebrews 4:15)*

**5. AN UPLIFTING** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 10–11)

**A. An Unlimited** \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 10a)

*“And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.” (2 Corinthians 12:9)*

*“But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.” (James 4:6)*

**B. An Ultimate** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 10b–11)

*“The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.” (John 10:10)*

**CONCLUSION**

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