

## **Steadfastly Resisting the Devil** **I Peter 5:5-14**

### **1 Peter 5**

5 Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

6 Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time,

7 casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

9 Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

10 But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you.

11 To Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

12 By Silvanus, our faithful brother as I consider him, I have written to you briefly, exhorting and testifying that this is the true grace of God in which you stand.

13 She who is in Babylon, elect together with you, greets you; and so does Mark my son.

14 Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to you all who are in Christ Jesus. Amen.

(NKJV)

Verse 5 quotes this Proverb:

Proverbs 3

34 Surely He scorns the scornful, But gives grace to the humble.

(NKJV)

James also quotes this Proverb:

James 4

6 But He gives more grace. Therefore He says: "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

7 Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

8 Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

9 Lament and mourn and weep! Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom.

10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.

(NKJV)

Both Peter & James used this quote to talk about humbling ourselves before God right before they talked about resisting the devil.

436. anyisthmi anthistemi, anth-is'-tay-mee

from 473(473) and 2476(histemi); to stand against, i.e. oppose:--resist, withstand.

Other Uses of the same Greek word:

Matthew 5

39 "But I tell you not to **resist** an evil person. But whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also.

(NKJV)

Acts 6

8 And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and signs among the people.

9 Then there arose some from what is called the Synagogue of the Freedmen (Cyrenians, Alexandrians, and those from Cilicia and Asia), disputing with Stephen.

10 And they were not able to **resist** the wisdom and the Spirit by which he spoke.

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Acts 13

8 But Elymas the sorcerer (for so his name is translated) **withstood** them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith.

(NKJV)

Romans 13

2 Therefore whoever resists the authority **resists** the ordinance of God, and those who **resist** will bring judgment on themselves.

(NKJV)

Galatians 2

11 Now when Peter had come to Antioch, I **withstood** him to his face, because he was to be blamed;

(NKJV)

2 Timothy 3

8 Now as Jannes and Jambres **resisted** Moses, so do these also **resist** the truth: men of corrupt minds, disapproved concerning the faith;

(NKJV)

2 Timothy 4

14 Alexander the coppersmith did me much harm. May the Lord repay him according to his works.

15 You also must beware of him, for he has greatly resisted our words.

(NKJV)

**Steadfast: Setting the rudder of your will.**

Luke 21

12 "But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name's sake.

13 "But it will turn out for you as an occasion for testimony.

14 "Therefore settle it in your hearts not to meditate beforehand on what you will answer;  
15 "for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or **resist**.

16 "You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death.

17 "And you will be hated by all for My name's sake.

18 "But not a hair of your head shall be lost.

19 "By your patience possess your souls.

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## Putting On the Whole Armor of God

Ephesians 6

10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to **withstand** in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

14 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness,

15 and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

16 above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.

17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;

18 praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints--

19 and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel,

20 for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

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*"If this comes from You Father, I receive it. If it comes from the enemy, I refuse it in the name of Jesus Christ."*

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*"According to the Word of God I do now resist Satan and all the powers of darkness in the name of Jesus Christ, he has to flee from me and leave me alone."*

*"Father, I draw near to You and ask that You would draw near to me."*

## **“The Lord Rebuke You”**

Jude 1

9 Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!"

(NKJV)

Malachi 3

10 Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this," Says the LORD of hosts, "If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you such blessing That there will not be room enough to receive it.

11 "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, So that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground, Nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field," Says the LORD of hosts;

(NKJV)

Romans 16

17 Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them.

18 For those who are such do not serve our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by smooth words and flattering speech deceive the hearts of the simple.

19 For your obedience has become known to all. Therefore I am glad on your behalf; but I want you to be wise in what is good, and simple concerning evil.

20 And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

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