

Peter has talked at length about the suffering believers and followers of Christ might expect to suffer. He has provided some extremely relevant truths which could allow the follower to stand strong under such intense suffering. Now he will finish this First letter with exhortations and warnings.

1. Read 5:1-4 to whom are these first verses addressed? \_\_\_\_\_

**The term "elders" refers to pastoral leadership. Peter seems to make a connection to the way Christians can endure fiery trials and tribulations by looking with hope to their elders or pastoral leaders.**

2. As Peter addresses this specific group of people. List the specific responsibilities; & why or how they do this

verse	What are they to do	Why or how to do this
2a		
2b		
v.3		

3. Peter seems to believe that strong spiritual leadership is essential to thriving the trials, and sufferings in this world. Why do you believe this is true? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Go back to the True Shepherd, Jesus. How did He spend the last 3 years of His life? \_\_\_\_\_

Think about His legacy. What did He leave behind? \_\_\_\_\_

5. What will be the final pay off for the successful completion of the task? (5:4) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Now Peter turns to the younger men. When Peter starts out saying, "Likewise, or in the same way" what does he refer back to? \_\_\_\_\_

Though the positions may change what remains the same to both groups? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Peter now deals with our attitude. Read Psalm 138:6 and I Peter 5:5. State the truth given here. \_\_\_\_\_

How can this trait be a terribly disruptive? \_\_\_\_\_

**Try to put this into practice, and your natural instinct will resist, this is the material of a life lived in hope.**

8. Verse 7 gives us the true strategy for hope. What is this strategy? \_\_\_\_\_

How do we know we can trust this strategy? (Psalm 55:22) \_\_\_\_\_

**One thing we can be sure of, living life like this will cause your actions to be noticed.**

9. Peter is now sounding the battle alarm. First 2 commands are I Peter 5:8a \_\_\_\_\_

**People often attribute too much or too little power to Satan. This leads to an overreaction or a lack of preparation. Peter wants to make his readers aware of some of Satan's tactics.**

10. Peter describes Satan like a roaring lion. (9) What do you know about that animal that can help you avoid being the prey? \_\_\_\_\_

11. According to 5:10-11 list the things God promises to do for you. \_\_\_\_\_