



Peace-filled Encouragement  
1 Peter 5:8-14

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Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings. And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen. With the help of Silas, whom I regard as a faithful brother, I have written to you briefly, encouraging you and testifying that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it. She who is in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you her greetings, and so does my son Mark. Greet one another with a kiss of love. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

I. We Resist a Conquered Foe

Verse 8-9

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I John 3:8 (NIV)

“The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.”

II. We Share a Caring Family

Verse 9 – “you know that your brothers throughout the world are undergoing the same kind of sufferings.”

Hebrews 10:25 (NIV)

“Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.”

III. We Follow a Compassionate Father

Verse 10 – “And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.”