

Christian Attitudes

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- ▶ **Be submissive and clothed with humility (1 Pet. 5:5–6)**
 - **Submission and humility go hand in hand – it takes humility to be submissive**
 - **Humility here means, *“lowliness of mind,” or “self-abasement.” It describes the attitude of one who willingly serves, even in the lowliest of tasks (Jno. 13:3–17)***

Be submissive and clothed with humility

- ▶ **To whom? To one another, but especially to God**
 - “Under the mighty hand of God”
- ▶ **Blessings**
 - That he may exalt you in due time

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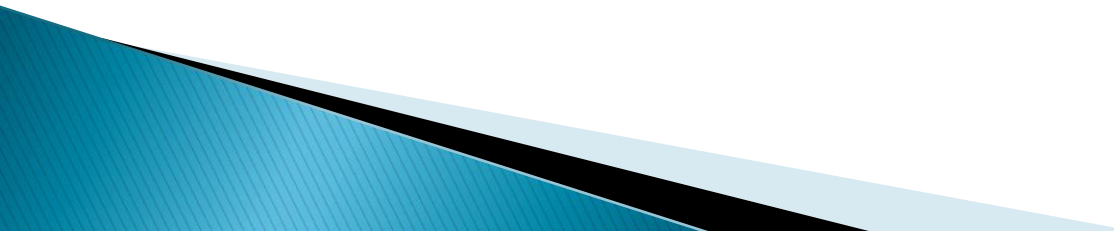
▶ Trust (1 Pet. 5:7)

- The Psalmist said, “Cast your burden upon the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never allow the righteous to be shaken” (Psa. 55:22)
- Casting means throwing something on something.
- Peter exhorts believers to throw on the Lord **all their (burdens) anxiety**

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- ▶ **Vigilance (1 Pet. 5:8–9)**
 - Satan seeks to devour believers in a number of ways.
 - God may allow him to attack a believer directly (Job)
 - Satan attacks believers in the most intimate realm of human relations—marriage and the family (1 Cor. 7:1–9)
 - Satan attacks both the leaders and the members of the congregation (Acts 20:28–31)

What can we do?

- ▶ **Resist him**
 - ▶ **Be steadfast in the faith**
 - ▶ **Be understanding** “knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.
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- ▶ **Hope (1 Pet. 5:10)**
 - Through these trials God will
 - Perfect them (to bring to wholeness)
 - Establish them (to set fast)
 - Strengthen them (to make sturdy)
 - Settle them (to lay as a foundation)