

STUDY OF I PETER CHAPTER FIVE-- "THE GREAT ENEMY"

I. INTRODUCTION.

1. KEY POINTS OF I PETER.

- I PETER 1:10-12—THE GREAT SALVATION.
- I PETER 2:21,22—THE GREAT EXAMPLE.
- I PETER 3:15—THE GREAT RESPONSIBILITY.
- I PETER 4:16—THE GREAT ~~ENEMY~~ NAME.
I PETER 5:8-9 - THE GREAT ENEMY

2. PURPOSE OF OUR STUDY:

- Study the Responsibility of church leaders (elders) (1-4)
- Encourage one another to be humble before God and each other. (5-9)
- See the assurance that is provided by the grace of God. (10-14)

II. STUDY AND OUTLINE OF I PETER 5—THE GREAT ENEMY.

1. THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ELDERS. (1-4)

- Peter's reference to himself. (1)
 - An elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ.
 - A "partaker of the glory that shall be revealed".
- Exhortation to the elders. (2-4)
 - "Feed the flock"--be a shepherd. (Psalm 23) "Taking the oversight". (1)
 - Responsibilities lie in the "meaning of various terms" referring to the leaders of the church.
 - "Elders" (Presbuteros)
 - "Bishop" or "overseer" (Episkopos)
 - "Shepherd" or "pastor". (Poimen)

2. EXHORTATION TO HUMILITY AND ENDURANCE. (5-9)

- In all relationships—humility. (5-6)
- Leave cares with God. (7)
- "Be sober (sound thinking), be vigilant (watchful) because..." (8)
- Resist the devil. (9)

3. CONCLUDING ASSURANCE AND PERSONAL GREETINGS. (10-14)

- Remember whose you are as you face sufferings and trial. (10-11)
- Personal matters and salutations. (12-14)