

## “Living the Scriptures in our Relationships”

### 1 Peter 5:5–7

#### I. Introduction: The Power and absolute Necessity of the Scriptures

- A. Influenced by Experience – 1 Samuel 3:21–4:11
- B. Influenced by the culturally acceptable – Luke 22:25–27; Galatians 2:11–16
- C. The Scriptures are the only standard for faith and practice – John 8:31–32; 17:17

#### II. Walking Victoriously in our Relationships – 1 Peter 5:5–7

- A. The Power of troubles, suffering, or hardships
- B. The progress of victory
  - 1. The reality of Responsibility – The Commands (5:5–9)
  - 2. The respect for leaders and each other – The Clothing to adorn (5:5; Prov. 3:34; Isa. 57:15; James 4:6)
  - 3. The relationship between humility and exaltation – The Confidence (5:6; Matt. 23:12)
  - 4. The release from worry – The Character of God (5:7; Ps. 55:22; 37:5; Prov. 16:9; Mat. 6:25–34)

#### III. Principles to Guide our Thinking

- A. The Scriptures **must** determine my approach to relationships and not my struggles (My Thinking process)
- B. Suffering has the potential for self preservation at the expense of relationships (My Reactions)
- C. Success is what God orchestrates and it is in His timing (My Waiting)
- D. The strength of human relationships is proportionate to the Sovereign care from God (My Trusting)

