

Surviving Life

“*Having the Courage to be Humble*” (18)

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Text: 1 Peter 5:5-7

“⁵Likewise, you who are younger, be subject to the elders. Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”

“⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time He may exalt you, ⁷ casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you.” (ESV)

The main point of this passage is that Christ-followers should be humble people. Humility is essential in the life of a Christian. It is a defining mark of a true Christ-follower.

Q. – WHY? Have the courage to be humble because....

1. IT OPPOSES P

Biblical observations about pride, of which, humility is a complete opposite.

PRIDE IS SELF-SATISFACTION.

SEE Hosea 13:4-6

PRIDE IS SELF-SUFFICIENCY AND SELF-RELIANCE.

Moses warned the people about this tendency in Deuteronomy 8:11-14, 17

PRIDE CONSIDERS ITSELF A _____ INSTRUCTION.

SEE Jeremiah 13:9-10

PRIDE TAKES C _____ FOR WHAT GOD ALONE DOES.

One of the most vivid illustrations of this is the case of Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Babylon. SEE Daniel 4:30-32

PRIDE EXULTS IN BEING MADE MUCH OF.

SEE Matthew 23:6-7

PRIDE DESIRES THE P _____ OF GOD.

SEE Acts 12:21-23...

PRIDE OPPOSES THE VERY E _____ OF

GOD.

SEE Psalm 10:4

PRIDE REFUSES TO T _____ IN GOD.

SEE Proverbs 28:25

PRIDE IS ANXIOUS ABOUT THE FUTURE.

SEE Isaiah 51:12-13

2. IT DIMINISHES A

3. IT DISPLAYS COMPLETE T _____ IN GOD

IT IS CONCEIVED THROUGH PRAYER

