

Persevering in Trials and Suffering

1 Peter 5:1 – 14

I. Introduction

II. Three Things We Need to Faithfully Persevere in Trials and Suffering

A. We need godly pastoral care (vv. 1 – 4)

Mark 10:42 – 45 And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

B. We need to actively pursue humility with God and others (vv. 5 – 7)

Deuteronomy 26:8 And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders.

Psalms 55:22 Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

C. We need to know who our real enemy is and resist him (vv. 8 – 9)

Ephesians 6:12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

1 Corinthians 10:13 No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

III. Conclusion (vv. 10 – 14)