

1 Peter 5: Harmonious relation while being alert.

Peter introduced himself at the beginning of the letter as an apostle 1:1  
He concludes the letter by admonishing as a fellow elder. 5:1

His exhortation is to encourage harmonious relationship between the shepherds and the flock and warn them to watch out for the enemy.

Lessons to be learned

Respect for each other:

- leaders toward followers. Jesus asked Peter to feed the sheep, and he in turn asked his fellow shepherds to care for the flock with respect.

- Followers toward leaders and toward each other. Church members to cloth themselves with humility.

Peter is inviting everyone, whatever their place in the church is, leader or follower to be good and do good and his exhortation is relevant to us. In the society, the norm is looking good and feeling is the goal.

Goodness is the fruit a good character; so, we should keep on building our character. Knowing our strength and weakness. Build the character that will carry us through. What is underneath.

The reference point for being good and doing good is God himself. V 5

-Watch out for distraction from the enemy who is looking for opportunity to trap you. V8

The resistance point to the enemy is our faith. V9

-The reason we are to be good and do good is that we are called for eternal glory. V10