



"Faithfully Fighting 'the Fight of Faith' to the Finish" (Part 1)

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1 Peter 5:6-7



6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, so that He may lift you up in time: **7** casting all your anxiety upon Him, for He cares for you. **8** Be sober, be alert; your adversary, the Devil prowls about like a roaring lion seeking someone to devour. **9** Resist him, firm in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are being accomplished by your brethren in the world. **10** And the God of all grace, the One who called you

to His eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, He will perfect, confirm, strengthen, [and] establish [you]. **11** To Him be the dominion for all eternity. Amen!

– 1 Peter 5:6-11, As translated from the Greek New Testament by Tony A. Bartolucci.

The Passage is Also Found on Page 182 of the New Testament Section of the Pew Bibles

Introduction:

* The contextual connection between verse 5 and verses 6-11

Humble dependence on God's sovereign will is that which carries us through the sufferings of this life to the finish line of faith.

I. How to Persevere Through Suffering (6-11)

A. Humble Yourself Before God (6-7)

1. It is a Humility that Bows to God's _____ (6)
 - a. The phrase "mighty hand of God" or "God's mighty hand" is an O.T. reference to two things: 1) God's dominion; 2) God's discipline

2. It is a Humility that Looks to _____ (6)

a. "Hina" clause (ἵνα = "in order that," or "so that" - used with the subjunctive mood indicating purpose or result)

b. Million dollar question: "What time?" "When?"

3. It is a Humility that Forsakes Worldly _____ (7)

a. An important grammatical consideration (the connection of anxiety to humility)

b. What kind of anxiety is this (note that this same word is used in conjunction with Martha in Luke 10)

c. However - ALL of our anxieties are to be "cast" or "thrown" upon Him!

d. "Cast" (*merimna*) - used in Luke 19:35

4. It is a Humility that Rests in God's _____ (7)