

# “The Challenge in Suffering”

A Living Hope

1 Peter 5:5-9



And we spoke of the fact that  
WE ARE ALL SHEPHERDS



**Tonight...**

**“The Challenge in Suffering” is to...**

**1) Maintain a Proper Attitude vs. 5-7**

**2) Be Ready for Warfare vs. 8-9a**

**3) Don't Go it Alone v. 9b**



**1) Maintain a Proper Attitude vs. 5-7  
(Phil 1:21, Phil 4:8)**

**1) An Attitude of Submission v. 5a**

**2) An Attitude of Humility vs. 5b-6  
(John 13:1-4, 12-15; 1 Peter 3:12)**

**3) An Attitude of Trust v. 7 (Ps. 55:22;  
Rom 4:20-21)**



**2) Be Ready for Warfare vs. 8-9a**  
**(Luke 22:31-32)**

**1) Respect Him – Don't be**  
**ignorant...he is real**  
**(Psalm 10:7-11)**

**2) Recognize Him – Don't get caught**  
**off guard**



**2) Be Ready for Warfare vs. 8-9a  
(Luke 22:31-32) (Cont.)**

**2) Recognize Him – Don't get caught  
off guard (Cont.)**

**1) His ability to Counterfeit -  
2 Cor. 11:14...Angel of light**

**2) His ability to Deceive -  
Gen. 3:13...Adam and Eve**



**2) Be Ready for Warfare vs. 8-9a  
(Luke 22:31-32) (Cont.)**

**2) Recognize Him – Don't get caught  
off guard (Cont.)**

**3) His ability to Lie - John 8:44...Father  
of lies**

**4) His ability to Blind - 2 Cor. 4:4...god of  
this age**



**2) Be Ready for Warfare vs. 8-9a**  
**(Luke 22:31-32) (Cont.)**

**3) Resist Him – Don't give in to the**  
**Temptations (James 4:7)**

**a) Stand firm in the Faith**

**b) Stand firm in Jesus**



**2) Be Ready for Warfare vs. 8-9a**  
**(Luke 22:31-32) (Cont.)**

**3b) Stand firm in Jesus**

**1) In His Power - Eph 6:10**

**2) Under His Protection - Eph 6:11-17**

**3) With Prayer - Eph 6:18**

**4) By the Word - Matt 4:1-11**



**3) Don't Go it Alone v. 9b**  
**(Heb. 10:25)**

**1) Know that You are not Alone**  
**(1 Kings 19:11-18)**

**2) Know that we are in this thing**  
**Together (2 Tim. 3:12; Heb. 12:1)**



**3) Don't Go it Alone v. 9b**  
**(Heb. 10:25) (Cont.)**

**3) Know that you are part of a Great**  
**Fraternity . . .**  
**“By your brotherhood”**



# Application Factor

- 1) God Resists the Proud  
(Daniel 5:13-22)



# Application Factor

2) Don't Get Caught off Guard  
(Judges 16:16-21)



## Application Factor

3) Don't let the Enemy Isolate you



