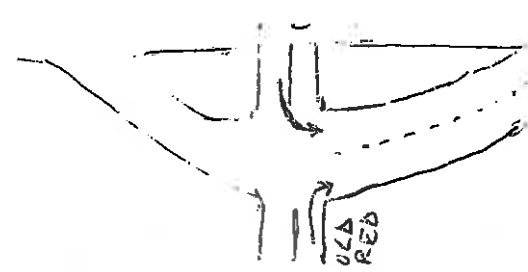


## Humility – 1Peter 5:5-7



I. Introduction – Legal right hand turns and pole position merging onto freeway

II. Public Reading of Scripture – 1Peter 5:5-7

5You younger men, likewise, be subject to *your* elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for **GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE.**

6Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time, 7casting all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you

III. Why did Peter feel it necessary to tell suffering people to be humble?

a. Suffering doesn't equal humility.

b. Anxiety can be a symptom of pride.

c. Humility is essential to people living in community.

d. Peter's transformation. (Matt 26:31-33)

IV. 3 Key Relationships to Teach Us Humility:

Definition of Humility - <sup>humble</sup> humble minded } modest opinion of one's self  
deep sense of one's moral littleness  
consistently recognizes God's grace

a. Younger people to the elders (v. 5a) – Why is Peter singling out the younger people? 2 Reasons

i. Young people are a class all to themselves.

ii. Young people can tend to be proud and idealistic.

b. Your relationship to others – (v.5b) In the church humility will be practically seen in our service to one another and in a life characterized by grace.

i. Humility is something you put on. (John 13:4)

ii. Humility is characterized as a life of grace. (Prov 3:34; Ephesians 1:6; Isaiah 57:15)

c. Your relationship to God (vv. 6, 7; Luke 18:14; Psalm 55:22; 1Peter 5:10)

through an enhancement of honor, power, or position. God will act to exalt His tested child when, in His infinite wisdom, it is conducive to His glory and the true welfare of the one lifted up. "Part of humility is willingness to patiently wait for things according to God's timetable." The time indication,

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V. Conclusion – How does humility happen?

- a. Need mind Renewal
- b. Know the urgency and importance of humility as a foundational Christian virtue. *that supports all others*
- c. Look for ways to serve rather than be served.
- d. Understand that Christian humility is realism that recognizes grace.
- e. Let your anxious thoughts be a warning light for pride and self-sufficiency and let them spur you to prayer and dependence on God.
- f. Trust God's path in following Christ is humility. (Christ's path vs. Satan's)