

1 Peter 5:1

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:

Analysis

Peter addresses elders as fellow elder. Peter witnessed Christ's suffering and will share His glory. Present suffering yields future glory.

Historical Context

Peter establishes authority gently. Early church featured plural elders. Reformed polity recovered this.

Related Passages

Genesis 1:1 — Creation of heavens and earth

Colossians 1:16 — All things created through Christ

Study Questions

1. How does fellow elder model proper leadership?
2. What significance does Peter's dual witness have?

Interlinear Text

Πρεσβυτέρους τῆς ἐν ὑμῖν παρακαλῶ τῆς

The elders

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ὑμῖν

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I exhort

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συμπρεσβύτερος καὶ μάρτυς τῆς τῆς Χριστοῦ παθημάτων

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τῆς καὶ τῆς μελλούσης ἀποκαλύπτεσθαι δόξης

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Additional Cross-References

Luke 24:48 (Witness): And ye are witnesses of these things.

Revelation 1:9 (Witness): I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 5:4 (Glory): And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

Acts 14:23 (Parallel theme): And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.

Acts 11:30 (Parallel theme): Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

1 John 3:2 (Parallel theme): Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

1 Peter 1:7 (Glory): That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

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