Endurance for Exiles

1 Peter 5:6-13

Context: Peter concludes his letter with final instructions for endurance in the world as a follower of Jesus Christ.

| As you endure in exile |
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| 1 all pride and anxiety to God. (6-7) |
| The word for cast means to throw something upon someone or something else. |
| The word for anxieties (Greek - Merimna) can be translated burdens. It involves the cares, concerns, and things that one is anxious and worried about. |
| That God will care for us - this frees us up to care for others when we are going through hardships. |
| 2 up and resist Satan (8-11) |
| Watchful is a word which indicates a spiritual alertness. It means to focus ones attention and to be on watch for sin and for the attacks of evil. |
| Use the Spiritual Armor of God in Ephesians 6:10-18 to resist the Devil. In practical terms, all the positive resources of the Christian life are to be used—prayer, the word of God, the help of fellow believers. |
| 3 firm in the Grace of God (s. 12-13) |

The Christian life is a life that is all of Grace. This grace includes God's daily giving of blessings, strength, help, forgiveness, fellowship with himself.