

1 John 1:1-3 (NASB) "What was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the Word of Life - and the life was manifested, and we have seen and testify and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was manifested to us - what we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ."



First: Start SERVING.

Matthew 20:25-28 (NASB) "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. It is not this way among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you shall be your slave; just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

Matthew 23:11 (NASB) "He who is greatest among you shall be your servant. And whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Choose DEVOTION over OBLIGATION.

1 Peter 5:2b (NKJV) "Serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, according to God's will..."

Choose GIVING over GETTING.

1 Peter 5:2b (NASB) "Not for sordid gain, but with eagerness."

Psalms 112:9 (Ph) "He gives generously to those in need. His deeds will never be forgotten. He shall have influence and honor."

Choose being an EXAMPLE over being in CONTROL.

1 Peter 5:3 (NASB) "Not lording it over those allotted to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock."

Second: Stay HUMBLE.

1 Peter 5:5-6 (NASB) "All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble. Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time."

Philippians 2:8 (NKJV) "He (Jesus) humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross."

Leaving a Legacy
1 Peter 1:1-7



Third: Stop WORRYING.

1 Peter 5:7 (NASB) “Casting all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you.”

Psalms 138:8 (NKJV) “The LORD will perfect (bring to completion or fulfill His purposes in) that which concerns me.”

Philippians 4:6 (NKJV) “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be known to God.”

Hebrews 4:16 (NKJV) “Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”

Colossians 3:2 (NKJV) “Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.”

Romans 15:13 (NKJV) “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Application:

Do you find more fulfillment in serving others or being served?

Are you motivated to serve by: (circle one)

Devotion or Obligation

Giving or Getting

Being an example or being in control

I allow the principle of humility to direct my ambitions.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Where would you rate your level of trust?

Anxiety 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 Hope/Peace

What have you learned about Christian Significance today?

How do you need to adjust your life to what God has shown you?

Memory Verse: 1 Peter 5:5-6 (NASB) “All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble. Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time.”