



A THEN + NOW PEOPLE

THE BOOK OF 1 PETER

GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE
WEEK 6

CONNECT

- Describe the best service you've ever experienced—at a restaurant, hotel, or anything along those lines.
- What animal would you never like to encounter?
- Who's the best boss you've had? What made him or her a good boss?

INTRODUCTION

We've reached the last part of Peter's letter. He's helped us know how to live as elect exiles, and now in his closing thoughts he has a final nugget of pastoral wisdom—be humble. Only through humility do disciples make their way towards glory.

Read 1 Peter 5:1-12

DISCUSS

In verse 1-4, Peter describes what humility looks like in action for leaders in churches. As you look over his words, what kind of environment do you think it creates in a church when leaders lead in this way? What happens in an environment when leaders don't lead this way?

DISCUSS

If we're going to humble ourselves, Peter says we'll need to give our anxieties to God. Pride and anxiety don't seem very obviously connected. How do you think anxiety can cause pride? Do you see any pride borne of anxiety in your own life?

DISCUSS

In Peter's mind, the main reason for living humbly is because it leads to glory. Leaders who lead humbly will receive a "crown of glory." Believers who suffer in humility are headed towards "his eternal glory in Christ." How does the example of Christ's humility and the his promise of glory move you towards humility?

PRAYER

- Spend time praising the humility of Christ.
- Pray and ask for the restoring, confirming, strengthening, and establishing he promises for believers.
- Give him your anxieties.

DISCIPLESHIP CHECK-IN

- Have you read your Bible and prayed consistently the past week?
- Who is one lost person you're praying would come to faith?



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