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For Pete's Sake September 17, 2023

KEY SCRIPTURES

- <u>1 Peter 5</u>
- John 10:27
- Proverbs 3:34
- Isaiah 55:8-9
- 2 Corinthians 4:17-18

KEY POINTS

- Peter's life was radically changed by Jesus Christ.
- All of Peter's letter should be looked at under the lens of the sovereignty of God, especially <u>1 Peter 5:6-11</u>.
- The God of all grace is sovereign over salvation, suffering, life, death, and everything in between.
- Peter exhorts the older in faith to shepherd the younger ones in the flock.
- God rewards those who shepherd others in accordance with His will.
- Younger Christians ought to submit to the wisdom of their elders.
- Humility is not natural. We have to put it on.
- Pride leaves no room for grace.
- Allowing worry to captivate you is a form of submitting to pride.
- Humility is a gift to be applied under the sovereignty of God's mighty hand.
- Be humbled.
- Be on guard.
- Trust the process.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Are you holding onto or feel bound and weighed down to anxiety in any form? How does pride play into the picture?
- 2. What keeps you from receiving the gift of humility? What does it look like to "put on" humility?
- 3. What do you think about what Pastor Tony said about consumer Christianity? Do you ever think the way he described it? How can/do you approach your faith and church differently?
- 4. Describe what it means to stand firm in faith against the adversary who is looking for someone to devour.
- 5. Is it harder to trust or have patience with the process? Explain.