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1 Peter 5:1-11

In 1 Peter 5:1-11, we are reminded of the need to be alert and have a sober mind. Just as many might want caffeine to begin their day, how much greater do we need time with Jesus each morning! This will keep us alert to the efforts of the enemy to catch us off balance. We all know multiple ways for staying alert, such as getting enough rest, staying in the Word, and practicing self-care. A sober mind indicates that these need to be intentional exercises on our part.

Why is the apostle Peter so serious? It is essentially because our enemy is deliberately slinking about hoping to devour us. He will also target the strong, but those who are weak in faith, weak in prayer, or weak in spirit will make easier prey. Our solution is to resist and stand firm in the faith. Satan will flee if the believer is well fortified with consecrated protection. He knows there will be no victory won.

It is God who gives us the grace to resist and stand firm. Jesus has already done everything necessary.

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