

## **Authority and Power**

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### **Ready:**

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, because He cares about you.—1 Peter 5:6-7

### **Set**

What is the key to attaining a position of power and influence? How do leaders and other people of prestige and authority reach their positions? It is shown throughout the Bible that God puts people in places of prominence and power after they have taken a lower position to serve Him and others.

Peter calls us to maintain an attitude of humility, both before God and among our teammates. There seems to be no room for self-promotion or arrogance in God's kingdom.

The promise that Peter offers in 1 Peter 5:6 is that as we maintain a spirit of humility, God Himself will lift us to prominence at just the right time. I'm sure God is smarter than I am, or any of us, for that matter. Let's trust Him and His timing for our coming into positions of prominence.

Keep your ambitions in check. He's working with your best interest in mind. Conduct yourself with humility and follow God's plan for you. Trust Him to deliver you right on time.

### **Go**

1. In what ways is God preparing you for leadership?
2. Are you being receptive to His guidance?

### **Workout**

Extra Reading: Proverbs 19:21; Isaiah 55:8-9; Jeremiah 29:11

### **Overtime**

Lord, prepare me for the roles of authority You would have me assume. Give me the patience and humility to carry out Your plans until I am ready to be placed in these positions. Amen.



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