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THEME : Another brick in the wall “How to take on a Lion”

PASSAGE: 1 Peter 5:8-14

We live in a world that is consumed with the “me” attitude. In the midst of a self-centred culture, the words of Peter remind us that the basic principles of the Christian life include submission to Jesus and others, as well as an attitude of humility. This is accomplished when we realize that our Christian life is not about us, but it is really about others and how we can invest in them and serve them the way that Jesus served people.

LAUNCH

1. In our everyday living, we might encounter physical danger from time to time. What are some of the obvious physical dangers you need to avoid?
2. What physical dangers might be less obvious but still require care?

DISCOVERY & UNDERSTANDING

1. Dangers come in various forms, such as financially, relationally, or even our reputation. What type of danger in your life are you most concerned about?
2. A very important treasure we all need to protect is our spiritual well being. What kind of dangers could put our relationship with Christ at risk?
3. What does it mean to be sober-minded and watchful as a Christian?
4. How important is it for Christians to recognise the danger that the devil poses in their life? Can this be overstated & if so how?
5. What are some ways that we can encourage one another to be sober-minded and watchful?
6. What does the name “adversary” tell us about the devil? When the adversary comes against you, what are your best defences?
7. In what way does the devil prowl like a lion? Read Genesis 3:1-7. How was the devil prowling in this story? Has his approach changed much over time?
8. What are some ways that Satan has, or is attacking you?
9. Why does Peter remind his readers about the suffering of Christians throughout the world?
How can this reminder be a source of strength to Christians as they struggle?

APPLICATION

1. What one action point might you take away from this study in terms of making you less vulnerable to the attacks of the enemy
2. Pray for the church that as we grow we would be protected from Satan’s prowling attacks

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