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## Stand Firm In God's Grace 1 Peter 5:12-14

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1. Peter's expression of the true grace of God.

- a. It is a blessing of God's grace that the Word of God has been \_\_\_\_\_ down and preserved.
- b. It is the \_\_\_\_\_ that is the true grace of God to man.
- c. It is the gospel of God's grace to which Peter bore and used as the basis for encouraging the scattered people of God in their suffering.

"The Gospel is not a doctrine of the tongue, but of life. It cannot be grasped by reason and memory only. but it is fully understood when it possesses the whole and penetrates to the inner recesses of the Heart." - John Calvin

- 2. The true grace of God is gloriously evident through the lives and the fellowship of .
  - a. The grace of God was evident in the life of Silvanus (Silas) as he proved himself to be a Christian brother and minister.
  - b. The grace of God is evident in local \_\_\_\_\_ that stand firm for the gospel in the midst of a culture of wickedness, corruption, and rebellion against God.

"Babylon represents man in his \_\_\_\_\_ estate separated from God and alienated from His original purpose. The very word Babylon means, 'to confuse, disintegrate, fragment, and disunite'." - Terry M. Crist

- c. The grace of God was evident in the life and ministry of .
- d. The grace of God is evident in the \_\_\_\_\_ and visible expressions of fellowship between believers.

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