**The Epistle of 1st PETER**

Chapter 5

To the Men and Teachers of the Church

1. Lessons for the Elders
2. Be Considerate Shepherds (1-3)
3. Be Humble and Patient (4-11)
4. Final Blessing (12-14)

*Summary: Peter ends this 1st letter addressing the behavior of the elders and the younger males who the elders mentored. He urges humility stating that God does not find favor with the proud (V 5) and warns against greed. He refers to Jesus as “The Chief Shepherd” who will reward the righteous and gives thanks to Silas who apparently helped him transcribe the letter.*

**Study Questions**

1. Why do you think Peter found it necessary to speak directly the elders and young men in this chapter?
2. At the end, Peter offers peace to all of those who “are in Christ.” What does this mean?

**Notes**