

First Peter

1 Pet. 5:12-14

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A. A word of exhortation, 5:12

1. Peter's colleague, 5:12a "By Silvanus, a faithful brother unto you..."

2 Cor. 1:19 For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, who was preached among you by us, *even* by me **and Silvanus** and Timotheus, was not yea and nay, but in him was yea.

1 Thess. 1:1 Paul, **and Silvanus**, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians *which is* in God the Father and *in* the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thess. 1:1 Paul, **and Silvanus**, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

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2. Peter's comment, 5:12b-c

a. About the brevity of his epistle, 5:12b

“...as I suppose, I have written briefly...”

b. About the burden of his epistle, 5:12c “...exhorting, and testifying that this is the true grace of God wherein ye stand.”

Original Word: ἵστημι

Part of Speech: Verb (Aorist-**Imperative**-Active)

Transliteration: histémi

Definition: trans: (a) I make to stand, place, set up, establish, appoint; mid: I place myself, stand, (b) I set in balance, weigh; intrans: (c) I stand, stand by, stand still; met: I stand ready, stand firm, am steadfast. <http://biblehub.com/greek/2476.htm>

B. A word of explanation, 5:13

1. Greetings from a specific church, 5:13a

“The *church that is* at Babylon, elected together with *you*, saluteth you...”

Original Word: συνεκλεκτός

Transliteration: suneklektos

Definition: fellow-elect, fellow-chosen.

syneklektós (*sýn*, "identity *with*" and *eklektós*, "chosen") – properly, *fellow-elect*, i.e. believers who *belong to each other* because each *belongs to the Lord* (used only in 1 Pet 5:13). See (*eklektos*). <http://biblehub.com/greek/4899.htm>

Col. 3:12 Put on therefore, **as the elect of God**, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

1 Pet. 2:4 To whom coming, *as unto* a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but **chosen** of God, *and* precious,
9 But ye *are* a **chosen** generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

2. Greetings from a special Christian, 5:13b
“...and *so doth* Marcus my son.”

C. A word of expectation, 5:14

1. Their love expressed, 5:14a “Greet ye one another with a kiss of charity...”

Original Word: φίλημα
Transliteration: philéma
Definition: a kiss.

phílēma (from *philéō*, "share warm affection") – a *kiss* to show respect or affection between friends – i.e. people sharing a deep (common) bond. <http://biblehub.com/greek/5370.htm>

2. Their love extolled, 5:14b-c

a. His peace assured, 5:14b "...Peace *be* with you..."

b. His presence assumed, 5:14c "...all that are in Christ Jesus. Amen."

Conclusion

1 Pet. 5:12 By Silvanus, a faithful brother unto you, as I suppose, I have written briefly, exhorting, and testifying that **this is the true grace of God wherein ye stand.**

Rom. 5:1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

2 **By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand**, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

3 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience;

4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.