

The Key to Enjoying a
Close Relationship with God

1 Peter 5:5b-7

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For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment . . . (Rom.12:3)

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.
(Phil.2:3-4)

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God will use everything for His good purpose. (Rom.8:28)

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III. God Calms the Anxieties of His Humble People (v.7)

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