

1 Peter 5

A Christ-like Church

We have lots of people in charge of us: parents, teachers, the government... But Peter wants us to think about the people in charge *at church*. What should they be like? What makes someone easy to listen to and obey?

(Tick all the things you think below. Which one of these is the most important?)

- Someone who is trustworthy and truthful.
- Someone who is kind and gentle.
- Someone who is humble, not thinking they are the best or most important.
- Someone who is very good at sport.
- Someone who is fair.

Peter tells us what leaders in church should be like. *(Fill in the missing words as we go through what Peter says in 1 Peter 5:1-4)*

A church leader should be a _____,

a _____,

eager to _____,

and focused on _____

Serve
Shepherd
Witness
Eternity
Humble

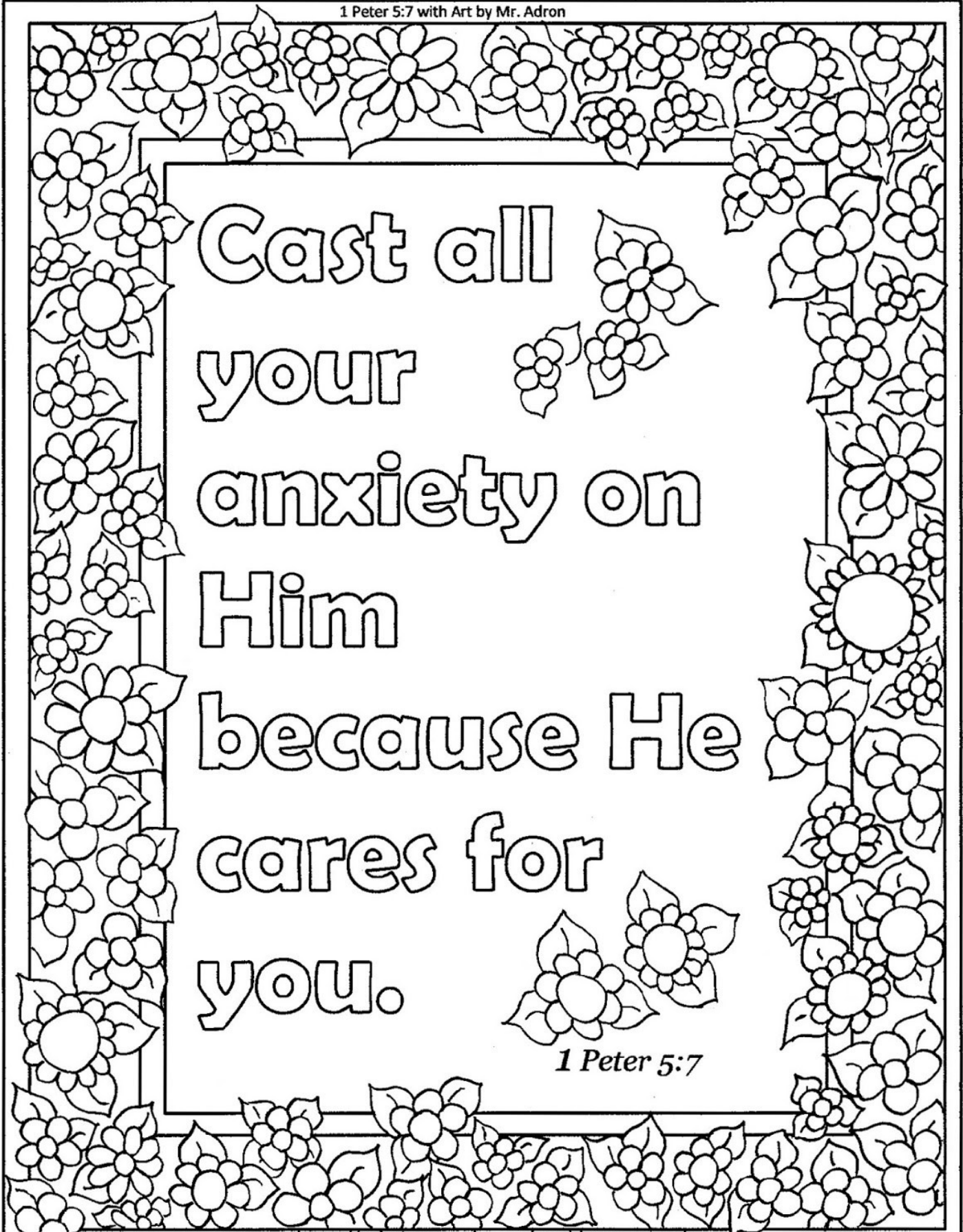
Peter says in verse 8 that the devil is like a lion prowling round waiting to eat us—which might sound scary! But he also tells us *not* to be scared, because Jesus is much more powerful. So instead of running away, Peter tells us to stand firm (verses 9 and 10) even when it's hard.

(Colour in the lion, and then draw yourself standing firm and not being scared!)



Peter warns us that it's hard following Jesus, because other people don't understand why we live like this, and because the devil tries to stop us following Jesus. But he also reminds us that Jesus is with us, helping us to keep going! (*This is a great verse to remember! Can you colour it **and** memorise it too?*)

1 Peter 5:7 with Art by Mr. Adron



Cast all
your
anxiety on
Him
because He
cares for
you.

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