



Travel Tips For The Heaven-Bound

Peter's final instructions to Christians
 "just passing through" this present world:

- During our entire journey home, THE DEVIL IS AGAINST US! (5:8-9)
- During our entire journey home, GOD IS FOR US! (5:6-7 & 10-11)

The Devil Is Against Us!

Like an intimidating lion on the prowl,
 he tries to use suffering and persecution
 to frighten us away from our Christian faith.

1 Peter 5:8, NIV

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

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1 Peter 5:9, NIV (also James 4:7, NIV)

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2 Timothy 4:17-18, NIV

But the Lord stood at my side and gave me strength...And I was delivered from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and will bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom.

God Is For Us!

Since he has his hands in everything (even suffering), we should leave everything in his hands!

1 Peter 5:6 & 10-11, NIV

Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time...And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

God Is For Us!

Since he has a caring heart, we should travel light!

1 Peter 5:6-7, ESV & JB Phillips NT

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you...You can throw the whole weight of your anxieties upon him, for you are his personal concern.

*Let God catch and carry the burdens
you were never intended to bear!*
