

Sermon Notes

Elders

1 Peter 5:1-5

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5:1 Peter's introduction to the elders of churches

A local church should have elder, qualified by spiritual maturity.

5:2-3 Responsibility and calling of elders

Elders should shepherd the flock of God, exercising oversight.

Elders are to care for, protect, and guide the people of a local church.

Elders are the group assigned to governing the church by caring for the people.

A man should consider if God is calling him to serve as an elder.

Not because of pressure

The motivation of a prospective elder and a continuing elder is to be a passion to care for God's people.

Not dishonorable gain

The approach of an elder to leading is to be an exemplary sheep at living God's ways.

Not bossing people around.

5:4 Reward of someone who elders this way - a crown of glory

5:5a **Follow the lead of the elders. That is God's way.**

5:5b **Everyone, be humble in your thinking about yourself in relation to others in the church.**

If you are proud, God will be against you.

If you are humble, God will be for you, give you favor.

Suggested related reading: Acts 14:23, Titus 1:5, 1 Tim. 3, Titus 3

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