

Disciple's Quest

If you continue in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine.

John 8:31



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Instructions For The Elders Part 2

1 Peter 5:1-4

Main Idea:

Peter concludes his first epistle with some practical instructions for the believers in the churches of Asia Minor, beginning with the elders who had been called by God to serve as His under-shepherds.

Outline:

- 1) The Witness (v. 1)
- 2) The Work (v 2a)
 - Shepherd the flock of God
 - Exercising oversight
- 3) The Way (vv. 2b – 3)
 - The elders must lead as a plurality
 - The elders must serve with the right motivation
 - The elders must minister with the right aim
- 4) The Reward (v. 4)

Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:

#1 According to the message, what responsibilities are included in the elders' task of shepherding the flock?

#2 Whose flock are the elders called to shepherd?

How should that reality impact their dedication?

#3 According to the message, what responsibility, generally, is at the heart of the elders' exercising oversight?

#4 Why is it essential for the local church to be led by a plurality of elders?