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Godly Authority & The Beauty of Humility

1 PETER 5:1-5
HEB 13:17



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1 PETER 5:1-5 ESV

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HEBREWS 13:17 ESV

¹⁷ Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

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1 THESS 5:12-13 ESV

¹² We ask you, brothers and sisters, to respect those who labour among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, ¹³ and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves.

2. THE USE OF AUTHORITY



1 PETER 5:2-4 ESV

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“Seeing a congregation as a people with whom to do life rather than a product to mobilize, or seeing a pastor as someone to love rather than to consume for an experience, is new to most of us.”

ZACK ESWINE

3. THE BEAUTY OF HUMILITY



1 PETER 5:4-6 ESV

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⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you,

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PHILIPPIANS 2:3-4 ESV

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

THE ELDERS OF THIS CHURCH COVENANT:



To be Biblically Qualified

To Faithfully Teach God's Word

To Pray Constantly

To Care and Shepherd

To Equip and Empower

To Protect with Gentleness

To Lead with Humility

WITH THE SPIRIT'S HELP, WE COVENANT TO:



Cultivate Unity and Holiness

Community and the Sacraments

Come under Biblical Authority

Contribute Toward the Mission