

L7: 1 Timothy 3:1-7: The Bishop

Sermon Review: Review/Summarize

- 1 Timothy 1:45 - teach the doctrine which produces charity
- Charity in justified men and women as it relates to the local assembly.

Sermon Preview:

- Who is the bishop?
- Qualifications of the bishop

Sermon:

1 Tim. 3:1 - This is a true saying, if a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work.

- "This is a true saying"

- "saying"

- A proverbial expression. Many are the sayings of the wise.

- An expression; a sentence uttered; a declaration.

SAYINGS (Pr. 4:10-13)

- 1 Tim. 1:15 - (all acceptance/fairful)
- 1 Tim. 3:1 - (true)
- 1 Tim. 4:8-9 - (all acceptance/fairful)
- 2 Tim. 2:11 - (fairful)
- Tit. 3:8 - (fairful)

- "if a man desire"

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• love / affection

• "the office" - That which is performed, intended or assigned to be done by a particular thing, or that which any thing is fitted to perform; answering to duty in intelligent beings.

- Business; particular employment

• Rom. 12:6-8

• :4 - office

• deeds

• "of a bishop" - an overseer; a spiritual superintendent, ruler or director; applied to Christ.

- Luke 19:44 - visitation

- Acts 1:20 - bishoprick

- 1 Pet. 2:12 - visitation

- Tit. 1:7 - bishop

- 1 Pet. 2:25 - bishop

1 Tim. 3:2 - A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach;

• "then must be" - after desire there must

- "then must be" - after desire there must be other characteristics fitting to the office
 - blameless - not sinless perfection, but no blotch that would compromise the office
 - the husband of one wife - not an adulterer or fornicator (1 Cor. 5:6, 1 Th. 4:1-9)
 - doesn't mean the man must be married
 - implications for a single man
 - vigilant - watchful/circumspect
 - Acts 20; Eph 5
 - sober - Rom. 12:3; Php. 2
 - of good behaviour -
 - given to hospitality - Rom. 12:13
 - apt to teach -

1 Tim. 3:3 - not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous"

- not given to wine - Rom. 13; 1 Cor. 6, 11; Eph 5
- no striker - gentle
- not greedy of filthy lucre - 1 Tim. 6:3-12
- but patient - patience of Lam. 10 - 11

• but patient - patience of hope (Rom. 5, 8)

• not a brawler - words & deeds

• not covetous - more than money

1 Tim. 3:4 - one that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity

• the house is first

• the house is reflective of ruling the church

• subjection with all gravity

1 Tim. 3:5

(for if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)

• how to rule

• take care

1 Tim. 3:6 - Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil.

• Eze. 28; ISA. 14 (condemnation of the devil)

• what's a novice? → simple (Rom. 16)

↳ Eph.

1 Tim. 3:7 - Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

• Rom. 12-13

- Kom. 12-13

- Prov. 2

Sermon Conclusion: Review/Summarize