

# SHEPHERDS AND FLOCKS

1 Peter 5:1-14

*Humble leaders with humble followers stand firm and advance God's kingdom.*

## Look to humble leadership. (1-4)

Christian LEADERS are first Christ FOLLOWERS.

## Pursue humble "followership." (5-7)

We come to Christ and stay with Christ by being good followers.

## Practice humility as demonic resistance. (8-9)

Wanting your way instead of God's way is giving way to the devil's way.

## Remember, God will bring restoration. (10-11)

To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

## Discussion Guide

- Have you ever experienced the fall of a pastor or spiritual leader? Describe the experience?
- Is it possible that a lack of humility played a role in the situation? How so?
- How might it help Christian leaders to remember that they are first (and foremost) followers (of Christ)?
- Have you ever met a poor church FOLLOWER? Describe their poor "followership."
- Does modern church culture help or hurt church "followership?" Explain.
- What are some ways we can evaluate if we are pursuing our personal desires or God's will?
- Read **1 Timothy 3:1-7**. What qualities does Paul list for Timothy to look for in looking for elders to lead the church? How many of the the qualities relate to the elder's character?
- Using a scale of 1-10, how willing are you to:
  - submit to godly leadership? ([1 Pet 5:5-6](#))
  - to confess your sin?
  - to accept correction? ([Prov 10:17](#))
  - look for God's Word to change you? ([Is 66:1-2](#))
  - serve others? ([Philippians 1:1](#), [2 Corinthians 4:5](#), [Matthew 23:11](#))
  - forgive? ([Matthew 18: 21-35](#))
  - associate with people of lower state than you? ([Luke 7:36-39](#)).
- **PRAY** for the leadership of Granger MC, that they will remain or become humble - pursuing God's kingdom and not their own.
- **PRAY** that you might follow well - following Christ then godly leadership.

# SHEPHERDS AND FLOCKS

1 Peter 5:1-14

*Humble leaders with humble followers stand firm  
and advance God's kingdom.*

## Look to humble leadership. (1-4)

Christian LEADERS are first Christ FOLLOWERS.

## Pursue humble "followership." (5-7)

We come to Christ and stay with Christ  
by being good followers.

## Practice humility as demonic resistance. (8-9)

Wanting your way instead of God's way  
is giving way to the devil's way.

## Remember, God will bring restoration. (10-11)

To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

## Discussion Guide

- Have you ever experienced the fall of a pastor or spiritual leader? Describe the experience?
- Is it possible that a lack of humility played a role in the situation? How so?
- How might it help Christian leaders to remember that they are first (and foremost) followers (of Christ)?
- Have you ever met a poor church FOLLOWER? Describe their poor "followership."
- Does modern church culture help or hurt church "followership?" Explain.
- What are some ways we can evaluate if we are pursuing our personal desires or God's will?
- Read **1 Timothy 3:1-7**. What qualities does Paul list for Timothy to look for in looking for elders to lead the church? How many of the the qualities relate to the elder's character?
- Using a scale of 1-10, how willing are you to:
  - submit to godly leadership? ([1 Pet 5:5-6](#))
  - to confess your sin? ([Prov 10:17](#))
  - look for God's Word to change you? ([Is 66:1-2](#))
  - serve others? ([Philippians 1:1](#), [2 Corinthians 4:5](#), [Matthew 23:11](#))
  - forgive? ([Matthew 18: 21-35](#))
  - associate with people of lower state than you? ([Luke 7:36-39](#)).
- **PRAY** for the leadership of Granger MC, that they will remain or become humble - pursuing God's kingdom and not their own.
- **PRAY** that you might follow well - following Christ then godly leadership.