

**The Good and Gracious Shepherd**  
**1 Peter 5:1-11**

**Jesus is the good and gracious shepherd**

**Jesus loves and rescues his sheep from the grip of sin and death**

**Jesus leads his sheep**

**Jesus feeds his sheep**

**Jesus tends his sheep**

**The good and gracious shepherd suffered for the glory of God, and so will his sheep.**

**As Christ followers we must humble ourselves and stand firm in our faith.**

**God gives elders/pastors to be the under-shepherds of his church.**

- 1. Elder, pastor, and overseer are used throughout the NT to refer to the same office in the church.**
- 2. Elders serve willingly, humbly, and for the inheritance of Christ**
- 3. Elders exercise oversight of the flock by leading, feeding, training the sheep, and tending the sheep.**

**Elders love the sheep**

**Elders lead the flock**

**Elders feed the sheep**

**Elders train and equip the flock**

**Elders tend to the sheep**

**Elders lead as a plurality**

**The church glorifies the Good Shepherd**

**The church guards the gospel**

**The church grows in maturity, on mission, and through multiplication.**

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