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INTRODUCTION

Responsibilities Within The Church

- The church's responsibility toward its leaders. v. 12-13
- The church's responsibility toward one another. v.14-15

The local church and its leaders have mutual responsibilities in the Lord.

1. CHURCH LEADERS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO ...

• To Work Diligently In The Church

"labor" - *kopiaō* - means to exhibit great effort and exertion, to the point of sweat and exhaustion.

Remember...

Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to constantly apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:12-13; 1 Tim. 4:7-9; Jam 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions: How does God want my beliefs/actions to change? How can I accomplish this change? What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

• To Have Charge Over The Church In The Lord

"are over" - proistēmi - means "to stand before" and conveys the notion of authoritatively presiding, leading, or directing.

• To Admonish The Church

"admonish" – *nouthete* \bar{o} - refers not merely to academic data imparted impersonally but to instruction for the purpose of correcting and changing people.

2. THE CHURCH IS RESPONSIBLE TO...

• To Know Its Leaders

"respect" - oida - means to know by experience

• To Esteem Its Leaders Very Highly In Love

"esteem" - hegeomai - means to think or consider.

• To Live In Peace With One Another