

HOW SHOULD THE CONGREGATION RESPOND TO THEIR SPIRITUAL LEADERS? Pt. 2

A. The **ROLE & RESPONSIBILITIES** of the Spiritual Leadership in the Church (1 Peter 5:1-4)

B. The **RESPONSIBILITIES** of the **CONGREGATION** to the Spiritual Leaders of the Local Church.

- Some **GENERAL** Observations:

- What are the **LOCAL CHURCH’S RESPONSIBILITIES** to their pastor(s) before the Lord?

1) God desires you to _____ to the biblical teaching and _____ the faith of your local church leaders. (Heb. 13:7-9)

2) God desires you to _____ the biblical teaching and _____ to the practical decisions of the local church leaders. (Hebrews 13:17)

- What does this mean?

- Why are these godly responses to spiritual leadership important?

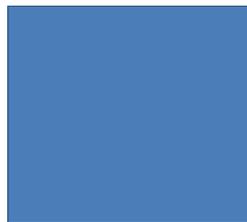
1) For they ...

2) For they ...

- What is the limitation of this? Why is this to be done?

- What is the true test of submission?

- How does this relate to the pastor’s areas of preference, liberty, etc.?



3) God desires you to _____ for your local church leaders and be on speaking terms with them. (Heb. 13:18, 24)

4) God desires you to _____ your local church leaders. (1Thess. 5:12)

How are these spiritual leaders described?

a) Those who _____

b) Those who are _____

c) Those who _____

Why should you “know them”?

5) God desires you to _____ your local church leaders for their work's sake. (1Thess. 5:13)

- What does this mean? "to esteem them very highly" _____
- How is this to be done? _____
- Why is this to be done? _____
- What occurs when both the leaders and congregation respond to God's will for them?

6) God desires you to show _____ and _____ your spiritual leaders, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching. (1 Timothy 5:17-18)

- What does "double honor" mean?
- Who does this apply to?
- What is the reason given for this?
- How does Paul support this?
- How is this remuneration highlighted in other passages?
- How is this remuneration to be done?

7) God desires you to _____ godly leaders against false accusations and to _____ leaders in the local church. (1 Timothy 5:19-20)

- What warning & procedure is given here? Why?
- What does Satan want to create in local churches? How does Satan do this?
- Proverbs 6:16-19
- James 3:1-12
- 2 Corinthians 7:2; 10:1ff
- What about church leaders who are guilty of flagrant sin? (v. 20)
- What warning is then directed to Timothy? (1 Timothy 5:21-25)
- How does this apply to you?