

“A Biblical Perspective on Pastors/ Elders” Pt.2 (Ephesians 4; 1 Thessalonians 5; 1 Peter 5)

I. The QUALIFICATIONS of Spiritual LEADERSHIP

I. The POSITION of the Pastor/Elder

A. The Different terms for Spiritual Leadership

1. The Pastor is referred to in Scripture as a _____ -
_____, emphasizing his _____ as a
shepherd (Eph 4:11)

* The word "pastor" (poimen) literally means a _____, while his
ministry and gift involves _____ the Word of God.

* Gifted men were given to the church for the _____

* Equipping

2. The Pastor is also called an _____, emphasizing his
spiritual _____ as a shepherd

3. The Pastor is also called an _____, emphasizing his
_____ as a shepherd

* How is the pastor-teacher related to the bishop and elder?

II. The POSTURE of the Pastor

A. The Posture as Viewed by the Congregation (1 Thessalonians 5:12-13):

1. The Pastor is to function _____

2. The Pastor is be _____

* Labor

* "And are over you"

* Admonish

B. The Posture as Viewed by the Pastor (1 Peter 5:1-5):

1. The faithful elder is to view himself as a shepherd, _____
God's flock and taking the _____ thereof

* "Shepherd the flock"

* Overseer

2. He is to do this...

a) Not by _____ but _____

* Not by Compulsion

* Willingly

b) Not for _____ but _____

* Dishonest gain

* Eagerly

c) Not by _____ his authority, but by setting an

* What does "nor as being lords" not mean?

* If Pastors are faithful to shepherd God's flock, what do they receive?

* What does this mean to you?