

# Sermon Outline

## Follow the Leader

Hebrews 13:17-18

**Introduction:** The need for leadership in an age of personal sovereignty

**Context:** The final command to worship God acceptably

### I. Two hated commands

1. **Obey:** (peitho) persuade or have confidence; trust  
Not blind obedience, but a trust that is won over
2. **Be submissive:** (hupeiko) to give way or yield  
Not blind submission, but honoring those proven faithful
3. Objection: *All I need is Christ and my Bible*  
Is the church a monarchy, hierarchy or democracy?
4. A true pastor and THE true Pastor (1 Pt 5:2-3, Phil 2:6-11)

### II. Four reasons to obey and submit to church leaders

1. They watch over your soul
2. They will (gladly) give an account
3. It will make their leadership joyful rather than a burden
4. To not do so is of no advantage to your spiritual condition

### III. Who is sufficient for these things? PRAY FOR US!