

HEBREWS

Our Superior Savior

Let us Endure by Faith ~ The Community's Future Challenge

Pastoral Leadership Basics

Hebrews 13:17-19

PASTOR'S PRAYER

Almighty God, great Shepherd of the sheep, sustainer, provider, protector you are good and wise. Thank you. We confess our assumed provision. Our inadequate analysis of our own needs. Our attempts to order and determine our own dreams and ambitions outside of your evident care and protection. Lord, grant your grace and mercy that we might repent of such empty self care and turn to trust in Christ alone as our only great shepherd, our Sovereign God of peace. Thank you for the authorities and leaders you have placed around us. We know they are in our lives for our good and advantage. As we trust your perfect care for us through them help us obey and submit their leadership as unto the Lord. Grant us a clear conscience as we stand in your presence and give us a sure hope of endurance as we live carefully in this difficult and dangerous world as strangers and exiles looking for a better country, that is, a heavenly one. So turn us now to receive your preached Word by faith and with repentance and hope and joy and a longing for the peace which comes from our precious Savior, Jesus Christ, our great Shepherd. Amen & Amen.

Central Textual Truth

The Hebrews pastor wanted his congregation endure by following their leaders.

Central Sermon Aim

I want SGBC to take care not to endure by following their leaders.

OUTLINE

1. Obey your Leaders (v. 17)
 - A. Authority Given
 - B. Authority Received
2. Pray for your Leaders (vv. 18-19)
 - A. Source of Authority
 - B. Standard for Authority
 - C. Care in Authority