

An-Puzzling “Pastors and Teachers”

Life in Christ: Wealth, Walk, Warfare (Ephesians) – Part 91

Ephesians 4:11

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And He Himself gave the apostles, and the prophets, and the evangelists,¹ and the pastors and teachers...
(*Ephesians 4:11 DJP*)

Introduction:

I.

A. Here: *The Pastors and Teachers*

1. Grammatically
 - a. The syntax
 - b. The sense
2. Biblically
 - a. *Pastors* (Greek *poimēn*, poy-MAIN)
 - b. *Teachers*

B. Elsewhere

1. Specified
 - a. *Elders; overseers, pastors/shepherds*: Acts ___:17, 28

¹⁷ Now from Miletus [Paul], sending word to Ephesus, called over the **elders** [*persbuteros*] of the church. ...²⁸ “Take close heed to yourselves and to all the flock [*poimniō[i]*], in which it is you that the Holy Spirit appointed as **overseers** [*episkopous*], to **shepherd** [*poimainein*] the church of God, which He acquired through His own blood.” [DJP]

- b. *Overseers*: 1 Timothy ___:1-2
- c. *Elders*: 1 Timothy ___:17
- d. *Elders, overseers, stewards*: Titus ___:5, 7a
- e. *Elders, shepherds/pastors, overseers*: 1 Peter ___:1-2

2. Summarized

II.

A. The Overwhelmingly Popular View: the _____

1. Explain:

¹ Which is to say *tellers of the good news*.

2. Evaluate:

B. A More Biblical View

1. _____jectively: 1 Timothy ____:1a

2. _____jectively:

a. Reading texts

i. 1 Timothy ____:1-7

ii. Titus 1:5-9 [DJP]

For this reason I left you behind in Crete: that you might set straight the things remaining *to be done*, and *that* you might install elders city by city, as I myself directed you – ⁶if someone is inculpable, husband of one wife, having faithful children *who are* not under an accusation of profligacy nor insubordinate. ⁷For it is necessary for the overseer to be inculpable, as God's steward; not selfish, not wrath-prone, not a drunkard, not pugnacious, not a money-grubber, ⁸but *instead* hospitable, a lover of what is good, level-headed, righteous, devout, self-controlled, ⁹holding fast to the faithful word according to the teaching, in order that he might be able both to exhort by healthy doctrine, and to reprove those who contradict.

b. The teaching

III. _____

A. Preparation: 2 Timothy

1. ____:2, 5

2. ____:10-16

B. Progression: 1 Timothy ____:15

C. Propagation: 2 Timothy ____:2