

## Inside the Text:

### I. Laying on of hands is an elementary doctrine. (I Tim. 5:22a)

#### A. The elementary doctrines are foundational. (Hebrews 6:1-3)

1. Salvation (repentance and faith)
2. Identification (baptism)
3. *Assimilation (reception of the HS and appointment into ministry)*
4. Resurrection (death no longer stings... the grave no longer has the victory)
5. Condemnation (God's holiness demands justice)

#### B. The elementary doctrines are motivational. (Hebrews 6:1-3)

1. You can have confidence in the message of the Gospel.
2. You can have confidence in your identification with the Gospel.
3. *You can have confidence in God's plan for your interaction with the Gospel.*
4. You can have confidence in God's power through the Gospel.
5. You can have confidence in God's provision because of the Gospel.

### II. Laying on of hands is an essential doctrine. (I Tim. 5:22b)

#### A. It was related to the transmission of the Holy Spirit.

1. A promise was made. (John 16:7; Acts 1:8)
2. The Holy Spirit was sent. (Acts 2:1-4, 38-41)
3. The Holy Spirit was spread. (Acts 8:17-19; 9:17-19; 10:44-48; 19:6)

#### B. It was related to the appointment of church leaders.

1. Confirming character and conduct of deacons (Acts 6:6)
2. Confirming calling of missionaries to gospel ministry (Acts 13:3)
3. Confirming appointment of men to pastoral ministry (Acts 14:23; I Tim. 4:14; 5:22; 2 Tim. 1:6)

## Apply the Text:

- Review the elementary doctrines. (Hebrews 6:1-3)
- Rejoice in your reception of the Holy Spirit. (Eph. 1:13-14; 4:30; 5:18; I Peter 4:10)
- Embrace your responsibility to select and appoint leaders at PBC. (I Tim. 5:22)
  - Do not be hasty to select leaders because you bear the weight of affirming the wrong person and participating in the ultimate destruction of the church.
  - Seek purity before speed!!!