

The MUSTS for Leadership

The Qualities of Christ-like Leadership 1 Timothy 3:1-7 HOUSE RULES *Chris Mueller 11-26-2017*

Introduction:

Acts 14:23 When they had appointed elders for them in every church, having prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed. **Acts 20:28** "Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. **Titus 1:5** For this reason I left you in Crete, that you would set in order what remains and appoint elders in every city as I directed you **1 Peter 5:1** Therefore, I exhort the elders among you, as your fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the glory that is to be revealed, **2** shepherd the flock of God among you, ... **5** You younger men, likewise, be subject to your elders

1 Peter 5:1-4

1st Biblical leadership is a _____ 1-2

Acts 14:23 And when they had appointed elders for them in every church...

he...called to him the elders of the church.

Philippians 2:2 be...of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose.

2nd Biblical leadership SHEPHERDS the flock 2

Acts 20:28 Shepherd the flock of God, which He has purchased with His own blood

3rd Biblical leadership _____ the church 2

4th Biblical leadership includes Elders who are FINANCIALLY supported and have unique gifts 2

1 Timothy 5:17 Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching

5th Biblical leadership leads by _____ 3

Hebrews 13:7 and 17 Remember those who led you, who spoke the word of God to you; and considering the result of their conduct, imitate their faith. **17** Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.

6th Biblical leadership is motivated by CHRIST 4

The 3 MUSTS of 1 Timothy 3:1-7 **1** It is a trustworthy statement: if any man aspires to the office of overseer, it is a fine work he desires to do. **2** An overseer, then, **MUST** be above reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, prudent, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, **3** not addicted to wine or pugnacious, but gentle, peaceable, free from the love of money. **4** He **MUST** be one who **manages** his own household well, keeping his children under control with all dignity **5** (but if a man does not know how to **manage** his own household, how will he take care of the church of God?), **6** and not a new convert, **so that** he will not become conceited and fall into the condemnation incurred **by the devil**. **7** And he **MUST** have a good reputation with those outside the church, **so that** he will not fall into reproach and the snare **of the devil**.

Starts with a WANT TO **1** It is a trustworthy statement:

if any man aspires to the office of overseer, it is a fine work he desires to do.

1 Thessalonians 5:12 we request of you, brethren, that you appreciate those who diligently labor among you, and have charge over you in the Lord and give you instruction.

#1 He MUST be responsible for developing a stable _____ 2-3

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Philippians 2:15 ... prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world.

Titus 1:9 exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict.

#2 He **MUST** be responsible for developing a _____ home ^{4-5 +6}

*4 He **MUST** be one who manages his own household well, keeping his children under control with all dignity 5 (but if a man does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of the church of God?), 6 and not a new convert, **so that** he will not become conceited and fall into the condemnation incurred by the devil.*

#3 He **MUST** be responsible for developing a sincere _____ with outsiders ⁷

*7 And he **MUST** have a good reputation with those outside the church, **so that** he will not fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.*

A – I am _____

B – I am doing _____

C – I am humbled, seeking to _____

QUESTIONS FOR LIFE CHANGE

1. What are some of the more popular but incorrect views of church leadership today, and why do you think they are tolerated?
2. In a single clear and full sentence, describe the correct view of church leadership from the Scripture.
3. Why does Paul give these qualifications to Timothy for elders in Ephesus?
4. Why is it important for believers today to know what the qualifications for elder are?
5. Which of the qualifications is strongest and which is weakest in your life?
6. What steps should you take in order to grow stronger in your weakest qualification and continue to develop in your strongest?
7. How can a group of believers help each other to grow in Christlike qualities such as described in this passage?

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