

Godly Leadership

1 Timothy 3:1-13

Overseers a.k.a. _____ a.k.a. _____

To the **elders** among you, I appeal as a fellow elder, a witness of Christ's sufferings and one who also will share in the glory to be revealed: ² Be **shepherds** of God's flock that is under your care, serving as **overseers**—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, but eager to serve; ³ not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. (1 Peter 5:1-3)

I'm not an elder, why is this important to me?

They are _____ by you

They are _____ for you

Qualifications for Elders

They should _____ the position (1)

_____ behavior (2-3)

No one can _____ them

⁴ At this, the administrators and the satraps tried to find grounds for charges against Daniel in his conduct of government affairs, but they were unable to do so. They could find no corruption in him, because he was trustworthy and neither corrupt nor negligent. (Daniel 6:4)

Love for their _____ should be evident

Other observable qualities

temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach,

And behaviors that are _____ (3)

_____ leadership (4-5)

The family sees the _____ character

_____ in his Christian walk (6)

The _____ fell because of pride and was judged

Pride can _____ to the attacks of the enemy

_____ from outsiders (7)

The lack of character of Christian leaders is a common trap Satan uses to _____ people coming to Christ

Deacons – those who _____ (8-13)

_____ **who serve** (8-10, 12-13)

Not double tongued – rumors, gossip. Say one thing to one and another to someone else

If you can't trust them with _____, how can you trust them in ministry?

Knowing what you believe, _____ what you believe

_____ **who serve** (11)

Translation issue – wives of deacons or women servers?
I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a servant [deacon] of the church in Cenchrea. (Romans 16:1)

There are no qualifications for elder's _____