

## Leadership to Keep the Church on Course – Part 2

*Why do we have a plural elder board?* It is the \_\_\_\_\_ norm  
Acts 14:23 / Tit. 1:5 / Acts 20:17 / Phil. 1:1 / Jas. 5:14

*Do paid pastor-elders have more authority than unpaid elders?*  
\_\_\_\_\_ – all elders are \_\_\_\_\_ in authority

- Division of \_\_\_\_\_ may not be equal (1 Tim. 5:17)
- Same \_\_\_\_\_, calling, affirmation, and ordination

*What are some benefits of plurality of elders?*

- They can \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ (Eccl. 4:9; Ex. 18:18<sup>ff</sup>)
- They can share one another's \_\_\_\_\_ (Eccl. 4:9)
- Brings a variety of \_\_\_\_\_
- Protects the \_\_\_\_\_

*What are the primary tasks of elders?*

- Take \_\_\_\_\_ of the church (1 Tim. 3:5)
- To lead / \_\_\_\_\_ = to stand \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Tim. 5:17; Heb. 13:7)
- \_\_\_\_\_ and teaching (1 Tim. 3:2; 1 Tim. 5:17; Tit. 1:7-9)
- \_\_\_\_\_ for the flock (Jas. 5:14; Acts 6:1-6)
- Determine church \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 15)
- \_\_\_\_\_ other men to the ministry (1 Tim. 4:14)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 15:28)

*How to Shepherd* (1 Pet. 5:1-4)

1. Shepherd your \_\_\_\_\_ flock (v. 2) – Not...
2. Live up to your name: \_\_\_\_\_ – just \_\_\_\_\_!
  - Give \_\_\_\_\_
  - Be \_\_\_\_\_
3. Shepherd \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 2) – convinced he is \_\_\_\_\_ by God
4. \_\_\_\_\_ to do God's will vs. \_\_\_\_\_ for gain (v. 2)
5. Lead by \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 3)

*Application:* 1) \_\_\_\_\_ for elders / elders in \_\_\_\_\_

2) Fathers and grandfathers – \_\_\_\_\_ your family