

## Conflict Concerning Elders (1 Tim. 5:17-25)

**Honor elders who \_\_\_\_\_ well (17-18)**

- Honor includes receiving \_\_\_\_\_ from the church
- *Rule* = to \_\_\_\_\_ (Heb. 13:7)

**Discipline of \_\_\_\_\_ elders (19-21) – 3 commands**

- 2 or 3 \_\_\_\_\_ required to confirm wrong (Deut. 19; Mt. 18)
- Rebuke before \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt. 18:17) – for the good of the \_\_\_\_\_
- Without bias or \_\_\_\_\_

**Selection of elders (22-25) – Do not ordain too \_\_\_\_\_**

- Those who ordain will \_\_\_\_\_ in the sins of the elder
- Their sins may be \_\_\_\_\_ (3:10)
- v. 23 – personal instruction concerning his \_\_\_\_\_ ailments

### **Take-Away**

#### **Selection of Elders**

1. Effort & caution (vs. haste) ⇒ lower \_\_\_\_\_ of negative surprises
  - *Needed:* A clear \_\_\_\_\_ for evaluating and selecting candidates
  - Retention is also important – including \_\_\_\_\_
  - Corollary – looking for \_\_\_\_\_, not perfect people (4:15)
  - Caveat – there are going to be \_\_\_\_\_
2. Based on call of God through the \_\_\_\_\_ & on the candidate
  - *Needed:* A mark of the \_\_\_\_\_ on his life
    - Fruit of the Spirit in his \_\_\_\_\_ (Gal. 5:22-23)
    - Fruit of the Spirit in his \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph. 5:18-6:9)
    - Spirit-enabled \_\_\_\_\_
    - Testimony of Spirit-victory over the \_\_\_\_\_ (Gal. 5:16)
  - An elder does not have the \_\_\_\_\_ to *un-call* himself

#### **Discipline of Elders**

- *Needed:* Follow our Lord's outline in \_\_\_\_\_ for all cases

#### **Importance of Leadership**

- *Needed:* \_\_\_\_\_ for our elders