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Elders In The Church

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INT: Cong. interested in increasing its leadership IF we have qualified men. If not, wait patiently until do. Study place, work and qualifications of elders today and will mail you bulletin insert next Fri. for your recommendations—based on scriptural qualification. Please fill these in and hand to ELDERS NEXT Sun.

A growing and dynamic congregation needs all the qualifications it can get. Eph. 4:11-13.

I. WHAT AN ELDdR IS LARGELY DESCRIPTIVE OF WHAT HE DOES:


B. Ruler, who leads, guides and governs; shows the way. Heb. 13:7 & 17. "Leadership by firm character."


COMPOSITE DEFINITION: An elder is one who helps lead the church of Christ into soundness of the faith, purity of morals, and readiness to every good work. Heb. 13:21.

II. QUALIFICATIONS LISTED TO GIVE CHURCH THE VERY BEST:


B. Bible does teach: Select these men who can meet the minimum requirements—begin with willing to grow.

King James version and 14 others.

Titus 1:6. 1. Blameless: no hold-over wrongs or even charges!!

2. Husband of one wife. Free of questions or doubt.


Question: Baptized? believer! Safest!

Eph. 6:4. 


Question: One child a baptized-believer and the other un-baptized faithful child?


3:2. 5. Vigilant. Watchfully temperate. Phil. 4:5. Mod.


III. GOD'S ELDERS ARE NOT TO GO UNREWARDED HERE OR HEREAFTER.

CONCLUSION: We now have fine elders. Highest compliment: Want more JUST LIKE THEM!

INV: Lost souls need help of Chief Shepherd and His spiritual shepherds in church. Acts 2:38. Lost members need to heed the call of Christ and His elders in church and return to duty. Lk. 13:3