1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9

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| Yes – No | Must elders meet all these qualifications? |

Appointing Elders

8. Titus 1:5; Acts 14:23

Who were to appoint elders in the city of Crete?

Yes – No Did Paul and Barnabus appoint elders?

Who should appoint elders in your congregation?

Yes – No Is it the congregation's responsibility to ensure that qualified men are chosen?

Review

1. Two evangelists named in the New Testament are

2. Elders are also called ______ and _____

Growing in Jesus

Lesson 9

Evangelists and Elders

Evangelists

1. Ephesians 4:11

After apostles and prophets Paul lists _____

Definition – A messenger of good, and hence one who takes the Good News (the gospel) of Christ to others.

 $Yes-No \quad Are \ those \ who \ preach \ the \ Word \ of \ God \ called \ evangelists?$

2. Acts 21:8, 8:4

Yes – No Are all Christians evangelists like Philip was?

Yes – No Should all Christians be involved in evangelism?

3.2 Timothy 4:1-5

Yes – No Was Timothy encouraged to do the work of an evangelist?

- Yes No Has the church outgrown the need for evangelists today?
- Yes No Are evangelists to preach the Word, reprove, rebuke and exhort?

Elders

4. Ephesians 4:11; 1 Peter 5:1-2

- Yes No Does Paul list pastors?
- Definition Pastor is from the Greek work POIMAINO meaning shepherd, one who tends (feeds) the flock.
- Yes No Is the office of pastor the same as that of the evangelist or preacher?
- Yes No Is it the responsibility of elders to tend, shepherd, pastor the flock?
- $Yes-No \quad Did \, Peter \, indicate \, that \, elders \, and \, pastors \, do \, different \, work?$

5. Acts 20:17, 28

- $Yes-No \quad Were \ the \ elders \ at \ Ephesus \ also \ called \ bishops \ (overseers)?$
- Yes No Is it the work of the bishop to feed the flock?
- $Yes-No\quad Do\ bishops, elders, and\ pastors\ do\ different\ work?$
- $Yes-No \quad Do \ they \ refer \ to \ the \ same \ office?$
- Yes No Since bishops and pastors do the same work, tend the flock, can we conclude they are the same office?

The various titles used tell us something about the office.

- Elder PRESBUTEROS one advanced in age; the word also implies wisdom.
- Bishop EPISKOPOS overseer, one charged with seeing that things are done properly.

 $Pastor-POIMAINO-shepherd, one \ who \ tends \ and \ feeds \ the \ flock.$

Yes – No From these three terms, do we learn that elders are to be older in age, wise, watching over the church to see that it functions properly, and feeding and tending the members of the congregation?

6. Acts 11:30, 14:23, 20:17

 $Yes-No \quad Do \ we \ read \ of \ any \ congregation \ that \ only \ had \ one \ elder?$

What Work Are the Elders To Do?

| Acts 20:20 | |
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| 1 Peter 5:2 | |
| Hebrews 13:17 | |

What Restrictions Are Placed on Elders?

1 Peter 5:2, 3

7. Acts 14:23; 1 Peter 5:2

- Yes No Is every congregation to have its own elders?
- $\label{eq:Yes-No} \begin{array}{ll} \text{Does the authority of elders extend beyond their own congregation?} \end{array}$

What Is the Responsibility of Members to the Elders?

 1 Thessalonians 5:12, 13 ______

 1 Timothy 5:17 ______

 1 Timothy 5:19 ______

 Hebrews 13:17 ______

Qualifications of Elders