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Welcome & Call to Worship

Revelation 21:3-4

³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

Revelation 21:5-6

⁵ And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶ And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment.



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Prayer of Adoration

Come Christians, Join to Sing

Verse 1

Come, Christians, join to sing

Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ, our King;

Let all, with heart and voice,

Before His throne rejoice;

Praise is His gracious choice:

Verse 2

Come, lift your hearts on high:

Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky;

He is our Guide and Friend;

To us He'll condescend;

His love shall never end:

Verse 3

Praise yet our Christ again,

Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain;

On heaven's blissful shore

His goodness we'll adore,

Singing forevermore,

Above All

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A-bove all pow-ers, a-bove all kings,



a-bove all na-ture and all cre-a - ted things;



A-bove all wis-dom and all the ways of man,



You were here be-fore the world be-gan.



A-bove all king-doms, a-bove all thrones,



a-bove all won-ders the world has ev - er known;



A-bove all wealth and treas-ures of the earth,



there's no way to meas-ure what You're worth.



Cru - ci-fied, laid be-hind the stone;



You lived to die, re-ject-ed and a-lone;



Like a rose tramp-led on the ground,



You took the fall and thought of me a-bove all.



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Speak O Lord

Verse 1

Speak O Lord as we come to You

To receive the food of Your holy word

Take Your truth plant it deep in us

Shape and fashion us in Your likeness

That the light of Christ

Might be seen today

In our acts of love

And our deeds of faith

Speak O Lord and fulfill in us

All Your purposes for Your glory

Verse 2

Teach us Lord full obedience

Holy reverence true humility

Test our thoughts and our attitudes

In the radiance of Your purity

Cause our faith to rise

Cause our eyes to see

Your majestic love and authority

Words of power that can never fail

Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Verse 3

Speak O Lord and renew our minds

Help us grasp the heights

Of Your plans for us

Truths unchanged

From the dawn of time

That will echo down through eternity

And by grace we'll stand

On Your promises

And by faith we'll walk

As You walk with us

Speak O Lord till Your church is built

And the earth is filled with Your glory



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Scripture Reading: Exodus 3:1-4:17

Exodus 3:1-3

Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³ And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned."

Exodus 3:4-6

⁴ When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." ⁵ Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." 6 And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷Then the LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings,

⁸ and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

Exodus 3:9-11

⁹ And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. ¹⁰ Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." ¹¹ But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?"

Exodus 3:12-14

12 He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain." ¹³ Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you, and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" ¹⁴ God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

¹⁵ God also said to Moses, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

¹⁶ Go and gather the elders of Israel together and say to them, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared to me, saying, "I have observed you and what has been done to you in Egypt,

¹⁷ and I promise that I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, a land flowing with milk and honey."'

¹⁸ And they will listen to your voice, and you and the elders of Israel shall go to the king of Egypt and say to him, 'The LORD, the God of the Hebrews, has met with us; and now, please let us go a three days' journey into the wilderness, that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God.'

Exodus 3:19-20

¹⁹ But I know that the king of Egypt will not let you go unless compelled by a mighty hand. ²⁰ So I will stretch out my hand and strike Egypt with all the wonders that I will do in it; after that he will let you go.

Exodus 3:21-22

²¹ And I will give this people favor in the sight of the Egyptians; and when you go, you shall not go empty, ²² but each woman shall ask of her neighbor, and any woman who lives in her house, for silver and gold jewelry, and for clothing. You shall put them on your sons and on your daughters. So you shall plunder the Egyptians."

Exodus 4:1-2

Then Moses answered, "But behold, they will not believe me or listen to my voice, for they will say, 'The LORD did not appear to you." ² The LORD said to him, "What is that in your hand?" He said, "A staff."

Exodus 4:3-4

³ And he said, "Throw it on the ground." So he threw it on the ground, and it became a serpent, and Moses ran from it. 4 But the LORD said to Moses, "Put out your hand and catch it by the tail"—so he put out his hand and caught it, and it became a staff in his hand—

Exodus 4:5-6

⁵ "that they may believe that the LORD, the God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you." ⁶ Again, the LORD said to him, "Put your hand inside your cloak." And he put his hand inside his cloak, and when he took it out, behold, his hand was leprous like snow.

Exodus 4:7-8

⁷Then God said, "Put your hand back inside your cloak." So he put his hand back inside his cloak, and when he took it out, behold, it was restored like the rest of his flesh. ⁸ "If they will not believe you," God said, "or listen to the first sign, they may believe the latter sign.

Exodus 4:9-10

⁹ If they will not believe even these two signs or listen to your voice, you shall take some water from the Nile and pour it on the dry ground, and the water that you shall take from the Nile will become blood on the dry ground." 10 But Moses said to the LORD, "Oh, my Lord, I am not eloquent, either in the past or since you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and of tongue."

Exodus 4:11-13

¹¹ Then the LORD said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Who makes him mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, the LORD? ¹² Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak." ¹³ But he said, "Oh, my Lord, please send someone else."

Exodus 4:14-15

14 Then the anger of the LORD was kindled against Moses and he said, "Is there not Aaron, your brother, the Levite? I know that he can speak well. Behold, he is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you, he will be glad in his heart. 15 You shall speak to him and put the words in his mouth, and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth and will teach you both what to do.

Exodus 4:16-17

¹⁶ He shall speak for you to the people, and he shall be your mouth, and you shall be as God to him. ¹⁷ And take in your hand this staff, with which you shall do the signs."



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Prayer of Thanksgiving

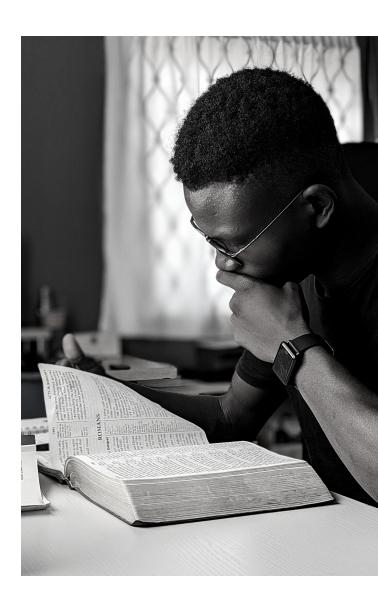


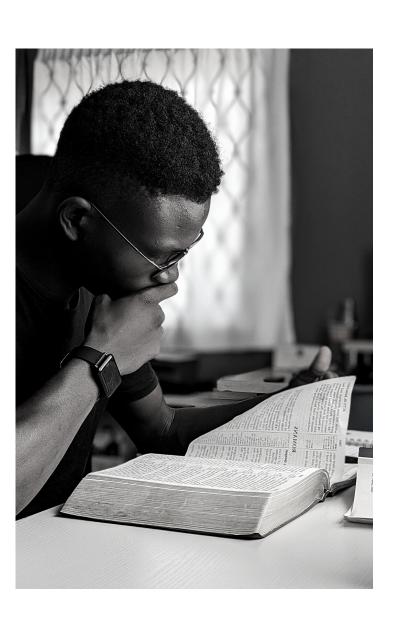
The Care of God's Church

1 Timothy 3:1-7: A blueprint for the leadership of the church.

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With God's enabling, pastors need to develop and maintain specific qualities because they oversee something that is precious to the heart of God and loathsome to the enemy: the church.



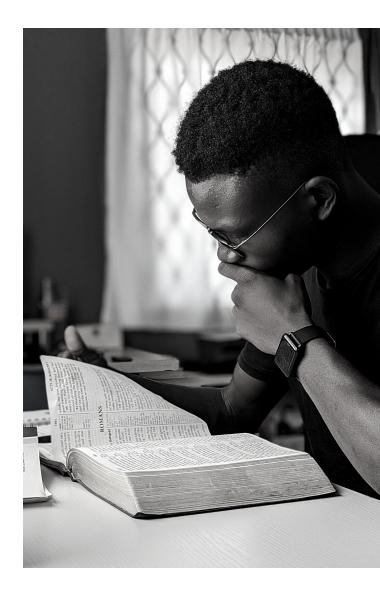


The Drive to Shepherd:

"the saying is trustworthy:
if anyone aspires to the
office of overseer, he
desires a noble task."

The Role of an Overseer:

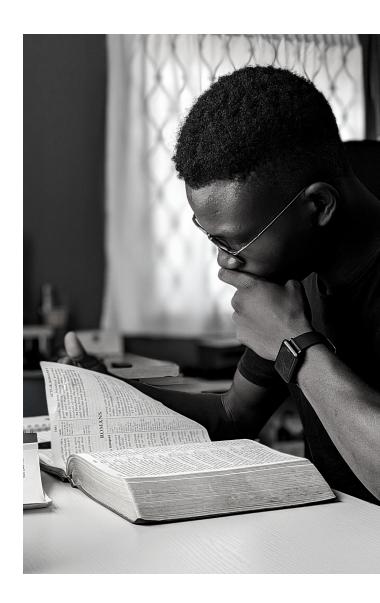
The word 'overseer' (or bishop) is paired with the words 'elder' or 'shepherd' to further explain the role of a pastor.

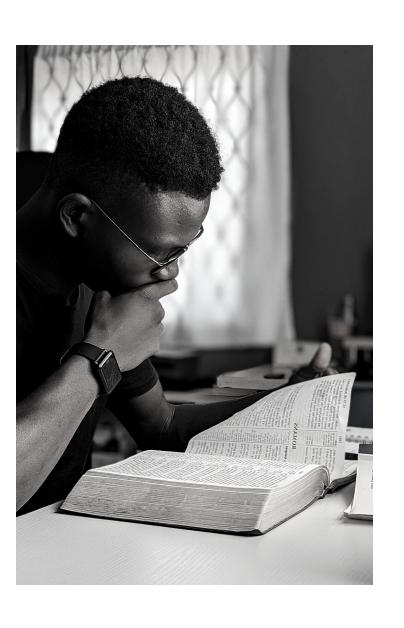


1 Peter 2:24-25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. ²⁵ For you were straying like sheep but have now returned to the **Shepherd** and **Overseer** of your souls.

"Therefore, an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife..."





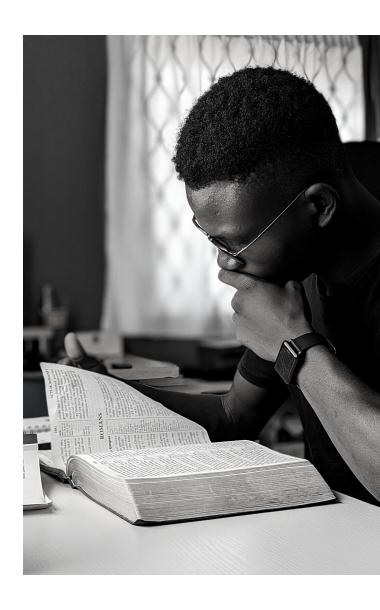
He must be: "soberminded, selfcontrolled, respectable,
hospitable, apt to
teach..."

"We don't follow elders or pastors simply because they have a position. We follow them because they know the Word, teach the Word, and follow the Word."

David Platt, 1 Timothy Commentary.



He must be: "not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money."



"He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive."





"He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil."



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Prayer of Confession

He Will Hold Me Fast

Verse 1

When I fear my faith will fail

Christ will hold me fast

When the tempter would prevail

He will hold me fast

I could never keep my hold

Through life's fearful path

For my love is often cold

He must hold me fast

Chorus:

He will hold me fast

He will hold me fast

For my Savior loves me so

He will hold me fast

Verse 2

Those He saves are His delight

Christ will hold me fast

Precious in His holy sight

He will hold me fast

He'll not let my soul be lost

His promises shall last

Bought by Him at such a cost

Chorus:

He will hold me fast

He will hold me fast

For my Savior loves me so

Verse 3

For my life He bled and died

Christ will hold me fast

Justice has been satisfied

Raised with Him to endless life

He will hold me fast

Till our faith is turned to sight

When he comes at last

Chorus (Repeat):

He will hold me fast

He will hold me fast

For my Savior loves me so

Chorus:

He will hold me fast

He will hold me fast

For my Savior loves me so



The Care of God's Church

1 Timothy 3:1-7: A blueprint for the leadership of the church, **continued.**



The Qualities of a Pastor:

"Morever, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil."



Sermon Application:

Should you even care about the qualifications of a pastor?

Since the church of God is so important, and since pastors lead God's churches, how can you be of assistance?

It's not about whose preaching or leadership style you do or don't like.



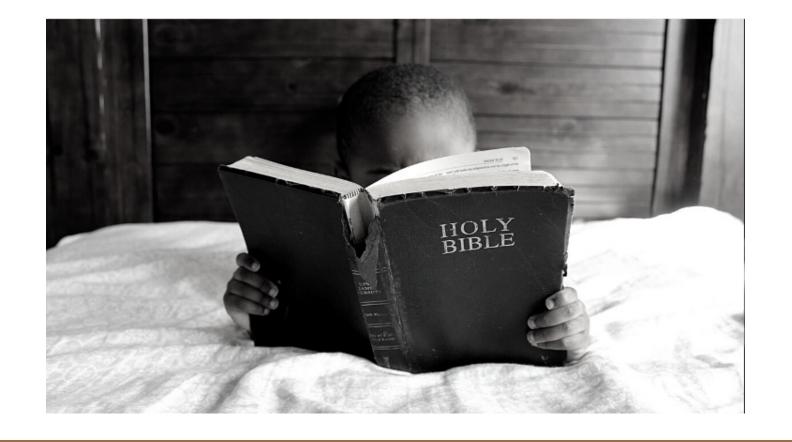


By God's grace, listen, process and seek to change. Pray sincerely and intelligently for the leaders of your church.





Be understanding regarding the unique pressures of the pastors' family.



Support young men who love Christ and love others and might be led of God to become pastors.



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Prayer of Supplication



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Closing Announcements



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Doxology

Philippians 4:7

⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.