

## Church Leadership: Elders pt.5

### Introduction:

In vv. 2-7, Paul presents fourteen descriptions of the above-reproach overseer, whose example in character, competency, and consistency instructs the church in how it is to continually conduct itself as God's household.

- The Overarching Trait: Above Reproach
- 1. The Character of Marital Fidelity
- 2. The Character of Temperance
- 3. The Character of Sensibility
- 4. The Character of Respectability
- 5. The Character of Hospitality
- 6. The Character and Competency in Teaching
- 7. The Character of Freedom from Alcohol
- 8. The Character of Freedom from Aggression
- 9. The Character of Gentleness
- 10. The Character of Peaceableness
- 11. The Character of Freedom from Monetary Appetite

The overseer of the church must have the character, but also the track record which displays that he is able to consistently and competently apply God's truth in multiple life situations.

### 12. The Character and Competency in a \_\_\_\_\_ Setting (v.4-5)

- \_\_\_\_\_ his household
  - o \_\_\_\_\_ Submissive Children
- \_\_\_\_\_ for God's household

### 13. The Character and Consistency in \_\_\_\_\_ Standing (v.6)

- So that:

#### 14. The Character and Consistency in \_\_\_\_\_ Standing (v.7)

- So that:

##### **Application:**

- Does your household, properly ordered under Christ, reflect your submission to Him in all areas: commitment, purity, self-mastery, generosity, gentleness, and your relationship with money?
- Let your Christ exalting life be an example within the sphere influence God has entrusted to you.
- Continue to grow in your Spiritual maturity without compromising your relationship with those outside the church. Not only to be above reproach but to draw others to Christ.