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PASSING THE TORCH

A Study in First Timothy

1 Timothy 3:1-13



There are **TWO** main
Leadership Offices
inside a local church

.





CHURCH LEADERSHIP OVERVIEW

I. OVERSEER/
PASTOR/ELDER

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I Timothy 3:1-7



Paul's verifying that if you
desire to be an
Overseer/Elder/ Pastor that
you desire something that's
worth it!



God puts a desire
inside certain people
to be an Elder



This strong desire acts as
ONE piece of **evidence**
for an individual to check
to see if they are “called”
to this special office



Looking at the various names
of this office helps describe it
to us:

A. **ELDER**



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Spiritual Care is the primary role of an Elder, which is often done by way of **TEACHING**

Acts 20:17-24



B. **OVERSEER**

Another responsibility of this Leadership Office is

that of **LEADING**

I Peter 5:1-5



We're to be a Christlike
example to those we lead
"Am I living my life in
a way that's
worth **following**?"



C. UNDERSHEPHERD

(PASTOR)

Acts 20:25-35



One of the greatest responsibilities of the shepherd is to **protect** the flock he was responsible for ... from **danger**

(from outside & inside)



If the message being
proclaimed is ANYTHING
other than the Gospel ...
then it's **DANGEROUS**



& part of the Spiritual
Leadership of Pastor/Elder
is to **protect** the flock from
those “Strange Doctrines”



II. DEACON

I Timothy 3:8-13

“Deacon” = a **servant**;

a minister; one who serves

. like a waiter



Here's the BIG **Difference**
between the Office of
Pastor/Elder & Deacon:



Pastor/Elder = cares for the
spiritual NEEDS of the
church

Deacon = cares for the
physical/practical NEEDS
of the church



SO WHAT?

