

**Previously on ...**



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# **PASSING THE TORCH**

A Study in First Timothy

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1 Timothy 3:1-7





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# **THE OFFICE OF OVERSEER PART ONE**

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I Timothy 3:1-2a

A desire **alone** ISN'T enough.

These qualifications help to  
reveal the type of **integrity** &  
**character** . a prospective Elder  
should have



“It’s a trustworthy  
statement” = it was a truth  
worthy of credence; it was  
NOT to be doubted  
(**guaranteed**)



What a person who desires  
to be an Elder  
should **look** like & act like:



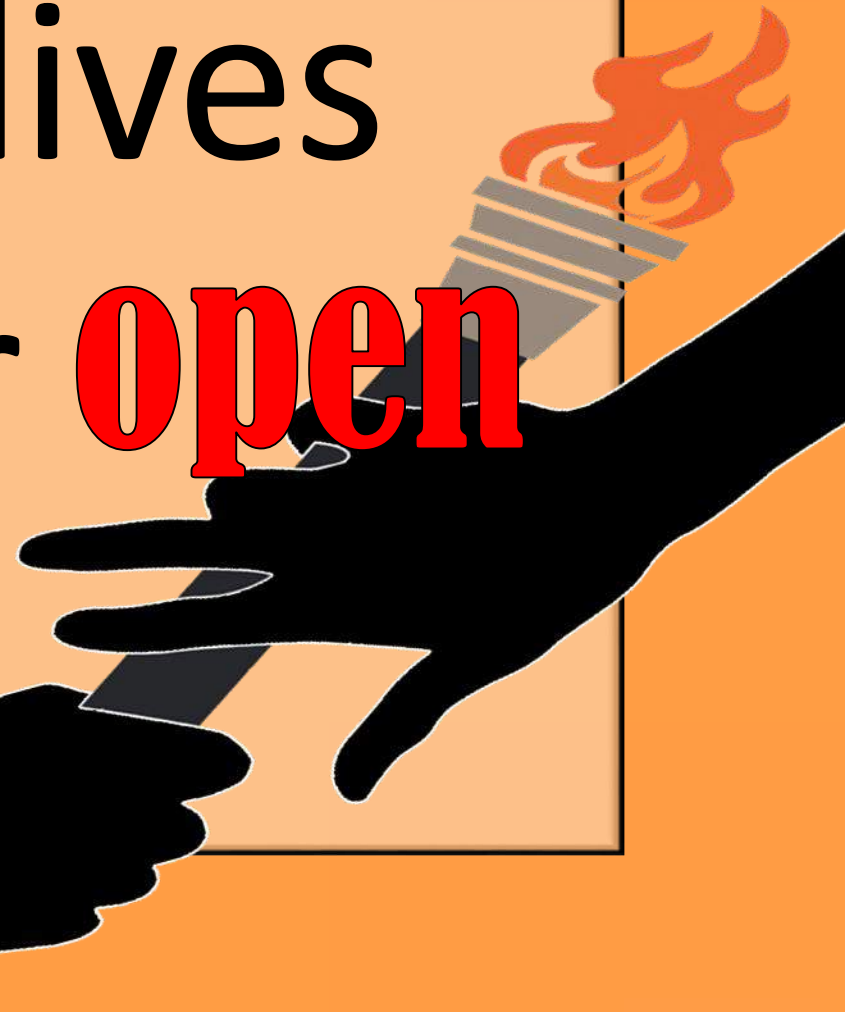
I. "Above Reproach" =  
**WITHOUT handles**; there  
should be NOTHING in an  
Elder's life that anyone  
could take hold upon



You may NEVER be called to  
be an Elder or a Deacon, but  
the way we live our lives  
should keep that door **open**

1 Peter 1:12-16

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# II. The Husband of One Wife

## Genesis 2:18-25

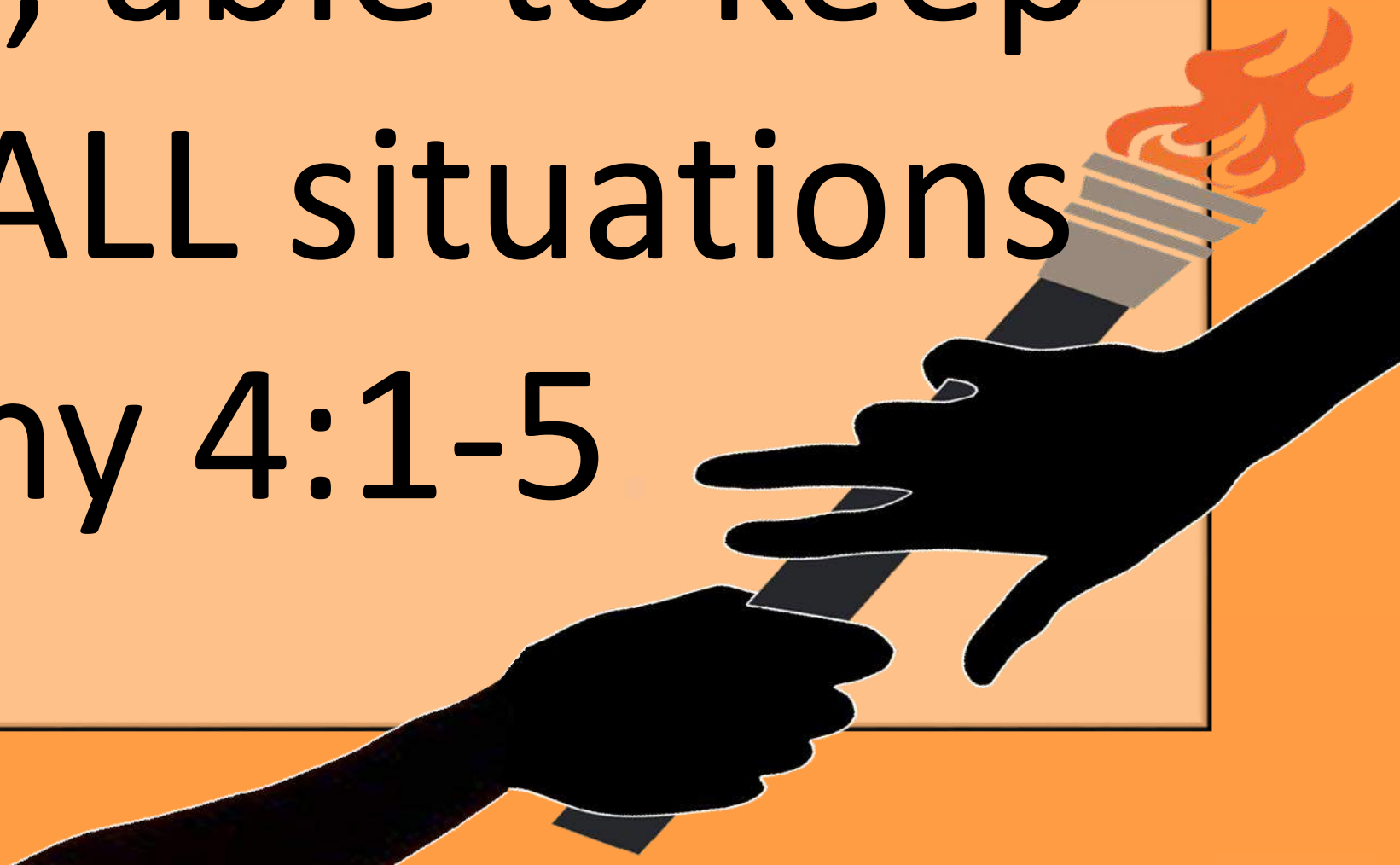


There are NO limits to people serving God. Just because you might NOT be qualified to hold a specific office it DOESN'T mean . you're **unqualified** . & be used by God!



III. “Temperate” =  
**sober minded**; able to keep  
your wits in ALL situations

I Timothy 4:1-5



IV. “Prudent” = sensible;  
**self-controlled**; curbing  
one’s desires or impulses

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Elders **NEED** to take the  
responsibility of being an Elder  
very **seriously** (it's **NOT**  
something to **shoddily** or  
**haphazardly** venture into)



V. “Respectable” = living  
an **outwardly orderly** life

I Timothy 2:9-10



It deals with how we **Outwardly**  
Present Ourselves (it should be  
a **reflection** of the **Inward**  
**Change** that a relationship  
with Christ makes)



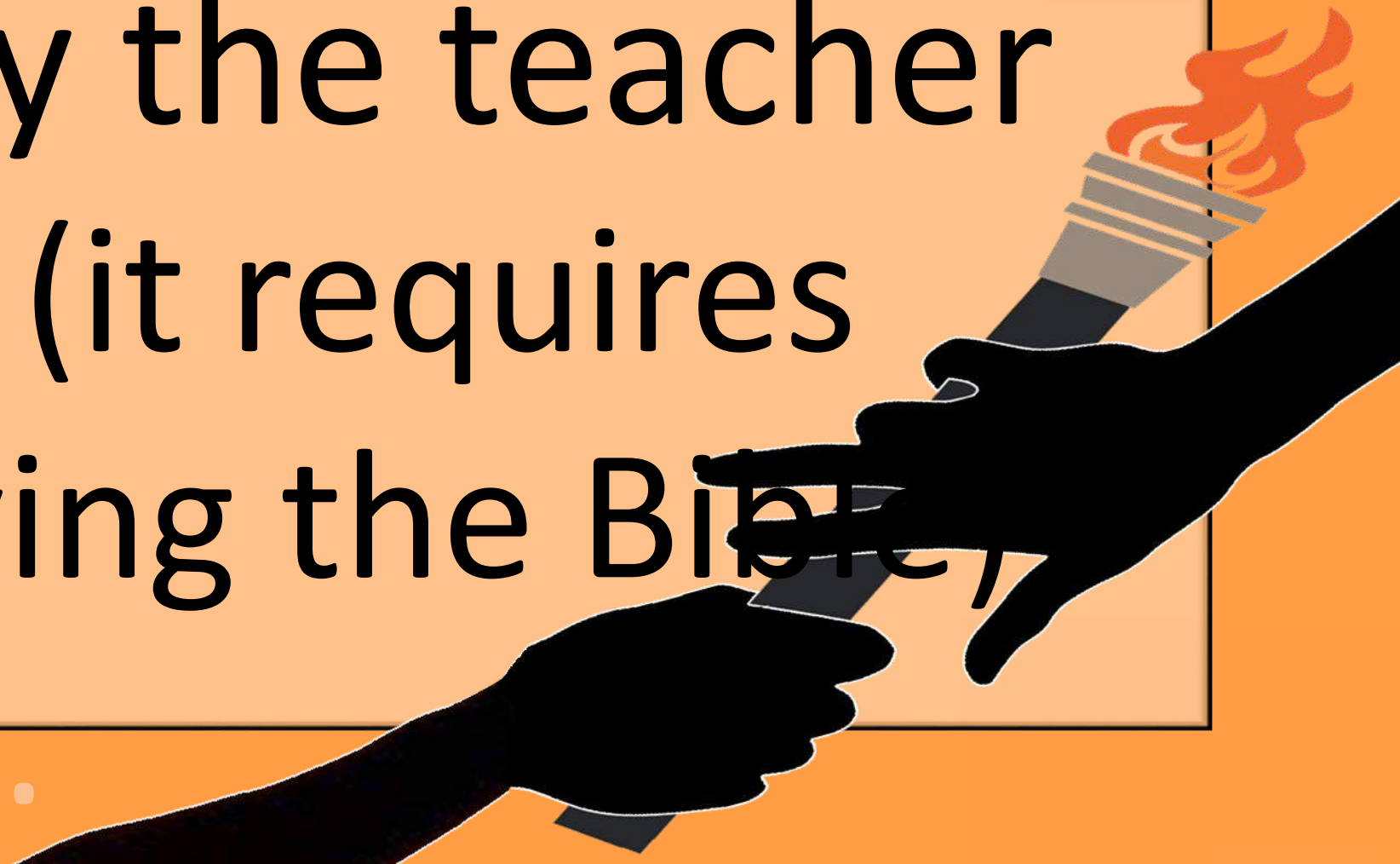
VI. “Hospitable” = literally means **“loving the stranger”**

VII. “Able to Teach” = **capable of Instructing**





In order to teach others  
there **NEEDS** to be a level of  
**proficiency** by the teacher  
personally (it requires  
deeply studying the Bible)



SO WHAT?

