

Obedience Training

" How the Church Should Follow Their Leaders - Part 1"

1. Look for Ways to Be a Support vv. 17-18



Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life. *PCC uses the ESV* (*English Standard Version*).

HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/ or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

GROW GROUPS ARE CURRENTLY ON SUMMER BREAK

Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message.

A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at **pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons**.

MONDAY // Read 1 Timothy 5:3, 17-18, Deuteronomy 25:4, 1 Corinthians 9:3-14

- In what ways is "honoring" a widow and "honoring" an Elder the same? Be specific.
- How does this relate to an Old Testament principle? How might this also apply to Pastors and church leaders?
- What is Paul trying to prevent if a church doesn't adequately pay their Pastors and leaders? Be specific.

TUESDAY // Read 1 Timothy 5:17-18, Luke 10:5-12

- How did Jesus teach His disciples to walk by faith when it comes to making a living and doing ministry?
- In what way did Jesus highlight the same truth as 1 Timothy 5:17 regarding who should support church leaders?
- What is implied by the statistic that says the average Pastor leaves ministry after five years? How does this adjust you?

WEDNESDAY // Read 1 Timothy 5:17-18, Hebrews 13:17, 1 Peter 5:5a, 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13

- In what way can "honoring" church leadership go beyond adequate pay for full-time staff? Be specific.
- Why will complaining, criticizing, and resisting church leadership be the opposite of what it means to "honor"?
- How can you do a better job honoring PCC's leadership, both paid and not paid roles? What steps will you take?

THURSDAY // Read 1 Timothy 5:19, Deuteronomy 19:15, Matthew 18:15-16

- What Old Testament law did Paul apply to Pastor Timothy's church leadership problem? Why?
- What does requiring "eye" witnesses prevent from happening? How should this slow down falsely accusing leaders?
- How does this also apply to non-leadership positions? In what way does this challenge your view of church leaders?

FRIDAY // Read 1 Timothy 5:19, 3:1-7, 2 Timothy 2:24-26, Galatians 5:19-20

- In what ways can Elder qualifications be used to identify if a church leader is in sin? Be specific.
- Why should a leadership accusation or correction be based on clear objective sin? Give an example.
- What can happen if an accusation is based on rumor mills or subjective opinions? How does this help you?

SATURDAY // Read 1 Timothy 5:19, Matthew 7:1-5, Galatians 6:1-3

- What warning did Jesus give regarding how to point out the sin of others? What was He trying to prevent?
- In what way does this also apply to correcting church leadership? Give an example.
- What has your experience with this type of process been? What does it highlight about being very careful?

MEDITATION VERSE: ¹⁷Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching.

1 Timothy 5:17