

Valley Bible Church – Sermon Study Questions

Study Aid for the Sermon from July 31- August 1, 2004

"The Character of Church Elders"

1 Timothy 3:1-7

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Observing the text

Describe the office and work referred to in 1 Timothy 3:1.

Compare and contrast 1 Timothy 3:1-7 with Titus 1:5-9.

What can you conclude from this analysis?

What should you do if you believe the overseers of a church fail to meet the qualifications set out in this chapter?

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Applying the sermon

In what ways do you desire to serve at Valley Bible Church?

What is necessary for you to fulfill this desire?

Evaluate your character in light of the qualifications of elders from 1 Timothy 3:2-7. What area(s) do you need to develop?

What is your reputation among unbelievers? How does this affect Christ's work through our church?

Please take a moment to pray for the elders of Valley Bible Church.