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23 SO WHEN THEY HAD APPOINTED ELDERS IN EVERY CHURCH, AND PRAYED WITH FASTING, THEY COMMENDED THEM TO THE LORD IN WHOM THEY HAD BELIEVED. (ACTS 14:23)

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Philippians 1:1 – 2

Acts 14:23



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 - Acts 20:17 – 35
 - *Elder*
 - *Bishop (overseer)*
 - *Shepherd (pastor)*

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 - I Timothy 3:1 – 7
 - Titus 1:5 – 9

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 - I Peter 5:3
 - I Peter 5:5 – 7
 - Hebrews 13:17

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 - Elders are more than decision makers, but they must make many decisions.
 - To do this successfully, let elders:
 - study the Scriptures
 - pray
 - seek advice
 - weigh the alternatives
 - take as much time as needed

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 - Ephesians 4:11 – 16
 - I Corinthians 12:12 – 22

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- The work of elders is seen in **conflict resolution**.
 - Matthew 18:15 – 18
 - Matthew 5:23 – 24

THE WORK OF ELDERS HAS GREAT REWARD

1 Peter 5:1 – 4



*“...and I will give you the
crown of life.”*

Revelation 2:8-11

**DO YOU NEED TO RESPOND TO THE
CHIEF SHEPHERD'S CALL?**

