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What idea from the message helped you the most?

What was the most challenging part in the message for you?

In what ways do you think Christian leadership is countercultural?

What qualities do you think of when you think of a shepherd, and how do those relate to Christian leadership?

Do you think that Christians should submit to elder leadership? Why? When has that been difficult for you? In what instances should Christians refuse to follow or even hold a leader publicly accountable?

What can Christian organizations do to assure their leaders remain spiritually healthy?

How could you be better “clothed in humility” today for the sake of the church?

What questions remain for you about elder leadership in the church?”

What’s an “Elder?”

Elder leadership emerged from _____ model of spiritual leadership.

“**Elder**” doesn’t necessarily equate with “old,” but is synonymous with wisdom and _____.

Elders _____ the church. 1Tim 5:17; Titus 1:7; 1Pet 1:1-2

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1Tim 3:2; 2Tim 4:2; Titus 1:9

Elders assure that doctrine remains _____.
Acts 20:17, 28-31; 1Tim 4:13; 2Tim 3:13-17; Titus 1:9

Elders visit and pray for the _____. Acts 6:4; James 5:14

Elder leadership is always _____.

Elder _____ are found in 1Tim 3:2-7; Titus 1:6-8

Elders at Sunridge are in charge of

_____, _____, *AND* _____.

An Elder is a _____.
1Peter 5:1-4; Ps 23; Matt 20:25-26; John 10:10

The Church is to _____ to its leaders.
1Pet 5:5; Heb 13:17

The church is to be “_____”
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Elders LEAD the church. 1Tim 5:17; Titus 1:7; 1Pet 1:1-2

Elders are capable of COMMUNICATING scripture.
1Tim 3:2; 2Tim 4:2; Titus 1:9

Elders assure that doctrine remains SOUND.
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Elders visit and pray for the SICK. Acts 6:4; James 5:14

Elder leadership is always PLURAL.

Elder QUALIFICATIONS are found in 1Tim 3:2-7; Titus 1:6-8

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DIRECTION, DOCTRINE, AND DISCIPLINE.*

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