

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.
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SERMON OUTLINE 10/18/09

BIBLE PASSAGE: [1 Timothy 3:1-13](#)

TITLE: “THE QUEST FOR BIBLICAL LEADERS”

INTRO:

1. Slogan of the U.S. Marine Corp. (80's & 90's)...
2. Christ is _____ for a few good men to lead His church/to model godly attitudes and _____...
3. The spiritual _____ of a congregation is enhanced through biblical leadership.
4. Each local church is responsible to train and _____ qualified leaders.

PROPOSITION: We must select godly leadership and follow their example as they seek God's will for our church.

I. QUESTIONS OFTEN ASKED ABOUT CHURCH LEADERS.

- A. What Church Leadership Positions Are Taught In The Bible?
 1. Elder/Pastor...
 2. Deacon...
 3. Deaconess?
- B. What Is An Elder/Pastor?
 1. Background of the _____...
 2. Godly, _____ life, [1 Timothy 4:12-16](#).

C. What Is The Function Of An Elder/Pastor?

1. Shepherd-[Acts 20:28-31](#).
2. _____-[Hebrews 13:17](#).
3. Equip/Teach/Preach-[Ephesians 4:11, 12](#).
4. _____-[Titus 1:10-16](#).
5. Shield/overseer-[II Timothy 2:14-18](#); [Titus 3:9-11](#).

D. What Is A Deacons' Role?

1. Co-workers with the pastor/elder...
2. Servant leadership for the _____ of God and the _____ of the church.

E. What Is The Deaconess' Role?

1. Co-workers with the pastors & deacons...
2. Example of Paul's work with faithful
_____...

F. What Should Set These Leaders Apart From Others In The Church?

1. Biblical qualities/trait...
2. Popularity contest?

G. In What Sense Do These Qualifications Apply To Other Believers?

1. [I Corinthians 10:23-11:1](#).
2. [Philippians 2:1-5](#).

CONCLUSION:

1. More to come next week...
2. What is your spiritual need this morning?