

The Response to Elders
1 Timothy 5:17-25
June 27, 2021

I. Response #1: Honor Them (V. 17-18)

- A. Honor your elders by _____ their faith (Hebrews 13:7).
- B. Honor your elders by _____ their teaching (Hebrews 13:17).
- C. Honor your elders by helping them make their _____ by the gospel if possible and when appropriate (1 Corinthians 9:11-15).

II. Response #2: Hold Them Accountable (V. 19-21)

- A. Keep your elders accountable by practicing church _____.
- B. Keep your elders accountable because no one is above _____.

III. Response #3: Appoint Them (V. 22-25)

- A. Appoint your elders with _____.
- B. Appoint your elders with _____.

Group Discussion Questions

1. Read 1 Timothy 5:17-25.
2. What are some ways church members can honor their elders?
3. Are there situations when elders should be paid for ministry? Are there situations when they should not be paid? Why?
4. What are some ways church members can hold their elders accountable?
5. Does this passage make it seem like a church with elders has nothing for the church members to do but follow the elders?
6. What are some reasons churches appoint/ordain elders too early, as Paul cautions against in verse 23?
7. What are the two reasons verses 24 and 25 give for not appointing elders too early in their walk with Christ?
8. Pray for our church, that God would continue to bless us with qualified pastoral leadership. Consider attending today's Zoom Prayer Meeting at 7:00 pm.

Church Bible Reading Plan

Bible Reading Plan: 1 Corinthians 1-3

July Memory Verses: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

John 15:7

If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

BEFORE Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:

If you have not done so already, register from the www.apollobaptist.org home page by clicking the image for the Prayer Meeting. If you were registered before, you will need to sign up again. The new registration will last through 9/5/21. Register with your name and email address. Click on the emailed Zoom link at the time of the Prayer Meeting.

DURING Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:

PRAYING for our kids' and youth camps.

Pray for Our Church Family Needs:

- Those with anxiety, employment or health issues because of COVID
- PRAY for missions and missionaries:
 - Dr. Doug and Cheryl D. as they are back on the mission field. Praise the Lord!
 - Jules S. will be heading to the mission field in mid-July. Praise the Lord!
 - Dr. John and Karen T. have retired from overseas Medical Missions Ministry and are back in the U.S.
- Vacation Bible School: for all that was taught and learned to be remembered and applied.
- Family & friends of church members who need salvation or to renew their relationship with Jesus
- Families who are grieving the recent loss of loved ones
Don R. (wife, Brenda, and brother), Yvonne B. (husband, Pastor Jamal), Tom M. (mom), Nataleen W. (brother)
- Those struggling with on-going health and emotional issues:
Mary R. (possible dialysis; on-going hope for a kidney transplant), Harry and Pam D. (Harry's health and Pam's ongoing care-giving needs), Debbie B. (breast cancer has spread to her bones, pray for successful treatment), Camille K. (pain associated with cancer treatment), Phyllis W. (adjusting to assisted living), Sami W. (eye issues), Kathy W. (digestion issues)
- Those awaiting surgery:
 - Ruthie C. (stomach repair), Ann W. (gallbladder removal)
- Those recovering from surgery:
 - Debbie P. (on-going therapy at their home)
- Those struggling with family relational issues:
 - Ketty B. (friend), Marge D. (a son)
- Those needing employment:
 - Larry S., Reginald G., Donna
- Others that you are aware of