

Where Do Elders Come From? (qualifications)

- I. From _____ . (cf. Acts 14.23; 6.3a)
- A. above reproach / blameless. (1 Timothy 3.2; Philippians 2.15)
 - B. temperate / sober-minded / vigilant. (1 Timothy 3.2; 2 Peter 1.6)
 - C. prudent / sober-minded / self-controlled. (1 Timothy 3.2; 1 Peter 5.8)
 - D. respectable / of good behavior / orderly. (1 Timothy 3.2; 1 Thessalonians 5.14)
 - E. hospitable. (1 Timothy 3.2; Romans 12.13)
 - F. not addicted / given to wine. (1 Timothy 3.3, 8; 1 Peter 4.3)
 - G. not pugnacious / violent / no striker. (1 Timothy 3.3; Colossians 3.8)
 - H. gentle / patient. (1 Timothy 3.3; James 1.19-20)
 - I. peaceable / not quarrelsome / not contentious. (1 Timothy 3.3; Titus 3.2)
 - J. free from love of money / not covetous. (1 Timothy 3.3, 8; Ephesians 5.5)
 - K. good reputation with those outside the church. (v 7; Matthew 5.13-16; Philippians 2.15)
- II. From _____ Christians. (1 Timothy 3.2, 6, 9, 10)
- A. “also first be tested” (1 Timothy 3.10)
 - B. “able / apt to teach” (1 Timothy 3.2)
 - C. “not a new convert / novice” (1 Timothy 3.6)

III. From _____ . (1 Timothy 3.2, 4, 5, 11)

A. “the husband of one wife.” (1 Timothy 3.2, 12; cf. Matthew 19.3-9; Romans 7.1-3)

B. “Their wives must be...” (1 Timothy 3.11)

C. “one who manages his own household well...” (1 Timothy 3.4-5; cf Titus 1.6)

IV. From _____ . (1 Timothy 3.1)

A. “it is a fine work he desires to do.” (1 Timothy 3.1)

B. The work of an overseer and a shepherd. (cf. John 10.11-16)