

Terry Fullam Audio Library

Scriptural References and Comment Notes

05-147-20 SOME TO BE PASTORS (BISHOPS)

:00-5:35 The audio begins with the teaching underway. Terry is reading Ephesians 4:11-13. Some are called and gifted to a ministry to equip others for their own ministries; so that the body of Christ is built up and all come to maturity in Christ.

5:35 Teaching continues on the role and function, related to the term translated Pastor. The Greek word is (poimen – G4166 – shepherd). The only place in the scripture where the Greek word (poimen) is translated as Pastor (NIV, HCSB, KJV, ASV, RSV) is here in Ephesians 4:11. Many other translations (ESV, Youngs, etc. translate “poimen” as Shepherd).

The Lord himself is THEE Shepherd. Reference Ezekiel 34:10-15 and John 10:11,14.

7:30 Terry comments on the Greek words normally associated with the idea translated in English as Pastor.

(presbuteros G4245) – “elder”

(episkopos G1985) - “overseer” – “bishop”

(poimen G4166) – “Shepherd”

8:40 Acts 20:17 & 28 The terms for elder and overseer are used of the same people. Teaching. Helpful to think of these terms not as nouns but as functions.

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12:10 Acts 14:23 The apostles appoint elders in every church. The term elder is never applied in the singular – it is always plural. There is no valid concept of a church with one elder.

12:50 Teaching on the early centers of Christianity: Jerusalem until 70 A.D. then Antioch followed by Rome, Alexandria, and Constantinople. Four centers in the East and Rome in the West. Teaching on the structure of the evolving church and the secular influence upon dividing the church into Clergy and Laity, without biblical warrant. Acts 13:1-3 Antioch was a center of Christianity from which Barnabas and Paul were set apart by the Holy Spirit.

14:35 Teaching begins on the Pastoral letters from Paul to elders in other locations.

1 Timothy 3:1-2 Terry opens up discussion from the congregation on the qualifications of an elder.

22:40 Galatians 3:27-28 The distinction of male and female before God is banished. Teaching. God does not force his immediate will upon man very often. He sets principals that over time change the status quo on those things contrary to his will (Ex. Slavery). Example from scripture 1 Corinthians 11:3-6 where Paul advises the women to not cut their hair. Teaching on the Corinthian circumstances.

28:26 There is an audio break when the tape is turned. The teaching continues in 1 Timothy 3 regarding the expected characteristics of an elder (a spiritual leader mentor).

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37:50 2 Timothy 2:23-25 Have nothing to do with foolish senseless controversies – The Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome...he should correct with gentleness.

39:00 Ezekiel 34:1-4 The Lord admonishes the shepherds for using force and harshness in their leadership role.

39:40 1 Timothy 3:4-5 Managing one's own household.

45:05 1 Timothy 3:6 Not a recent convert. Well thought of in the community.

46:30 Titus 1:5-9 Reading and comments.

Eph. 4:11 It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, 12 to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up 13 until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Ezek. 34:10 This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I am against the shepherds and will hold them accountable for my flock. I will remove them from tending the flock so that the shepherds can no longer feed themselves. I will rescue my flock from their mouths, and it will no longer be food for them.

Ezek. 34:11 “ ‘For this is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. 12 As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness. 13 I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land. 14 I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. 15 I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign LORD.

John 10:11 “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

John 10:14 “I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me—

Acts 20:17 From Miletus, Paul sent to Ephesus for the elders of the church.

Acts 20:28 Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood.

Acts 14:23 Paul and Barnabas appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, committed them to the Lord, in whom they had put

their trust.

Acts 13:1 In the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul. 2 While they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” 3 So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.

1Tim. 3:1 Here is a trustworthy saying: If anyone sets his heart on being an overseer, he desires a noble task. 2 Now the overseer must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach,

Gal. 3:27 for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. 28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

1Cor. 11:3 Now I want you to realize that the head of every man is Christ, and the head of the woman is man, and the head of Christ is God. 4 Every man who prays or prophesies with his head covered dishonors his head. 5 And every woman who prays or prophesies with her head uncovered dishonors her head—it is just as though her head were shaved. 6 If a woman does not cover her head, she should have her hair cut off; and if it is a disgrace for a woman to have her hair cut or shaved off, she should cover her head.

2Tim. 2:23 Don’t have anything to do with foolish and stupid arguments, because you know they produce quarrels. 24 And the Lord’s servant must not quarrel; instead, he must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful. 25 Those who oppose him he must gently instruct, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth,

Ezek. 34:1 The word of the LORD came to me: 2 “Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel; prophesy and say to them: ‘This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Woe to the shepherds of Israel who only take care of themselves! Should not shepherds take care of the flock? 3 You eat the curds, clothe yourselves with the wool and slaughter the choice animals, but you do not take care of the flock. 4 You have not strengthened the weak or healed the sick or

bound up the injured. You have not brought back the strays or searched for the lost. You have ruled them harshly and brutally.

1Tim. 3:1 Here is a trustworthy saying: If anyone sets his heart on being an overseer, he desires a noble task. 2 Now the overseer must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, 3 not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. 4 He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect. 5 (If anyone does not know how to manage his own family, how can he take care of God's church?) 6 He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil.

Titus 1:5 The reason I left you in Crete was that you might straighten out what was left unfinished and appoint elders in every town, as I directed you. 6 An elder must be blameless, the husband of but one wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient. 7 Since an overseer is entrusted with God's work, he must be blameless—not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain. 8 Rather he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined. 9 He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.