

QUESTIONS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

1. When does shepherding cross the line into authoritarianism?
Is this a danger?
2. How important is the elder's attitude toward his ministry?
What is the right view of the work God has called an elder to do?
3. Why do many American Christians have difficulty understanding the concept of submitting to spiritual authority?
4. How important is humility in the life of the shepherd and the life of the flock?

“Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.”

Acts 20:28

“Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.”

Hebrews 13:17

“Nothing inspires confidence in a time of difficulty more than a godly man who cheerfully shows the way.”

R. Kent Hughes

“Leadership, whether in the church, the home, or the government, means that you're the one whom God holds accountable for the direction of things under your care.”

Howard Hendricks

“HOW TO SHEPHERD THE FLOCK OF GOD”

1 PETER 5:1-4

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- I. The Shepherd's _____ *Verse 1*

II. The Shepherd's _____
Verses 2-3

III. The Shepherd's _____
Verse 4

Memory Verse: Trusting God

*“Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God,
that He may exalt you at the proper time, casting all your
anxiety on Him, because He cares for you.” 1 Peter 5:6-7*