

1 Thessalonians 5:12-14

What should our attitude be towards those laboring and in positions of leadership among us? Practically, how will this express itself in our words and actions towards them?

Are these leaders the only ones that should be looking out for the idle, fainthearted, and weak among us? (consider also Gal 6:1-2)

Hebrews 13:7

What should our attitude be towards our leaders according to this passage? How should this impact the way we live day by day? (*consider also 1 Pet 5:2-3*)

Hebrews 13:17

What 2 things are we commanded to do toward our leaders here? Give some practical examples of how these commands might be applied.

What is the intended result of this submission for both shepherd and sheep?

What is the effect of NOT obeying and submitting to our shepherds, for both shepherd and sheep?

1 Timothy 5:17-20

What 2 types of honor should be given to elders who rule or lead well? How should this influence the way we think about the work of an elder?

How should a congregation handle an elder who is not living or working properly? At what point should this be handled publicly? (*consider also Matt 18:15-17*)