

## Honoring Our Pastor and Church Leaders

### 1. I Thess. 5:12-13

- A. “know them” Get well acquainted with your pastor.  
Note: “Pastor” means “Shepherd”
- B. “which labor among you” Their work is both natural and spiritual.
- C. “and are over you in the Lord.” Their job is to help us to be saved and stay saved. **Eph. 4:11-12**
- D. “and admonish you.” A mild reproof.  
See also **Heb. 13:17**
- E. **I Thess. 5:13** “Esteem them very highly...for their work’s sake.

### 2. Paul’s instructions to Timothy as a young pastor.

#### **II Tim. 4:1-2**

- A. “Preach...” I.E., declare the word with boldness! With unction and anointing.
  - 1. I Cor. 1:21, 18 “preaching” has been chosen by God.
  - 2. “preach the word” (The Bible) not manmade philosophies and opinions.
  - 3. The preaching and teaching of the word will help us to be saved and to stay saved. **Psa. 119:11**
  - 4. **II Tim. 4:2** “be instant...” reprove, rebuke, exhort...”

### 3. Paul’s last missionary instructions. **Acts 20:17, 28**

“Feed the church of God...”

### 4. **I Timothy 5:17,19** Always respect the pastor and elders of the church.