

THE LEADERS WE NEED

ACTS 20:28-38

Main Idea: Pastors are called to faithfully shepherd God's church.

Three New Testament Words for the Office of Pastor

- Elder (20:17)
- Overseer (20:28)
- Shepherd/Pastor (20:28)

Four Characteristics of Faithful Shepherds

1. Faithful shepherds _____ the flock – vv. 28-31

- Shepherds defend the flock by _____ their own lives
- Shepherds defend the flock by _____ from the Holy Spirit
- Shepherds defend the flock that _____ to God
- Shepherds defend the flock from _____ and _____ threats

2. Faithful shepherds _____ on the Lord – v. 32

- Shepherds depend on God to _____
- Shepherds depend on God to give an _____

3. Faithful shepherds _____ in giving themselves for others – vv. 33-35

- Shepherds delight in giving themselves for others because they are _____ with what they have
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4. Faithful shepherds determine to follow God's direction – vv. 36-38