Silver Creek Fellowship
NOTES

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WHAT GOD WANTS IN ELDERS

1 Timothy 3:1-7 *"This is a trustworthy saying: "If someone aspires to be an elder, he desires a good work." [2] So an elder must be a man whose life is above reproach. He must be faithful to his wife. He must exercise self-control, live wisely, and have a good reputation. He must enjoy having guests in his home, and he must be able to teach. [3] He must not be a heavy drinker or be violent. He must be gentle, not quarrelsome, and not love money. [4] He must manage his own family well, having children who respect and obey him. [5] For if a man cannot manage his own household, how can he take care of God's church?*

[6] An elder must not be a new believer, because he might become proud, and the devil would cause him to fall. [7] Also, people outside the church must speak well of him so that he will not be disgraced and fall into the devil's trap.

REASON #1: The Scripture says that _____ in every church and in every city.

Titus 1:5 "I left you on the island of Crete so you could complete our work there and appoint elders in each town as I instructed you."

REASON #2: Jesus is the one _____ to the church.

*Ephesians 4:11 "Now these are the gifts **Christ gave** to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers."*

Ephesians 4:12-13 "Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ. This will continue until we all come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature in the Lord, measuring up to the full and complete standard of Christ.

REASON #3: To _____ to do God's work.

REASON #4: So that we _____ in the Lord.