

## Surviving Life

“With Godly Leadership” (17)

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**Text: 1 Peter 5:1-4**

5 “So I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed: <sup>2</sup> shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly; <sup>3</sup> not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock. <sup>4</sup> And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.” (ESV)

Godly leadership will provide *oversight*:

1. NOT UNDER C \_\_\_\_\_, BUT

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IMMEDIATE CONTEXT:

CONTEMPORARY CONTEXT:

*CLOSING THOT*: Here’s the general principle for all believers – Service as a Christ-follower ought to be done gracefully, eagerly, willingly...*not* under compulsion, not with the ‘bait ‘n switch.’ When invited to consider positions of ministry you ought to feel honored, not coerced.

Furthermore, Godly leadership will provide *oversight*:

2. NOT FOR SHAMEFUL G \_\_\_\_\_, BUT WITH

EAGERNESS

*CLOSING THOT*: The general principle for all believers – Service as a Christ-follower isn’t driven by bigger and better, more plush and pampered. It’s about being selfless.

Peter also says godly leadership will provide *oversight*:

3. NOT D \_\_\_\_\_ OVER, BUT

PROVING TO BE E \_\_\_\_\_

*CLOSING THOT*: The general principle for all believers – Service as a Christ-follower will mean

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