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How to Treat Elders

1 Timothy 5:17-25

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1. The proper care and accountability of elders (1 Timothy 5:17-21)

2. Personal application in developing spiritual leaders (1 Timothy 5:22-25)

Table Talk

- 1) How is the church supposed to care for their elders? How has this care been abused in modern times? Why do you think that Paul especially focuses on money matters? (vv. 17-18)
- 2) Why should charges against an elder be restricted to those where there are two or three witnesses? (v. 19)
- 3) What should happen to the elder who continues to do wrong? How can partiality be avoided in disciplining elders? (vv. 20-21)
- 4) What are the three principles of leadership wisdom in this verse? (v. 22) Which is the most meaningful to you?
- 5) Why is it important to care for our bodies? What, if any, "frequent ailments" do you have? How can Paul's wisdom to Timothy be applied in our own situations? (v. 23)
- 6) What can be tricky about sin and its consequences? What can be complex about good works being known? (vv. 24-25)