

## **1 Peter 5:1-4**

### **1. Peter speaks directly to Elders/Pastors (v.1).**

*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:*

*Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,* Hebrews 12:1 (ESV)

### **2. Elders/Pastors are to Oversee the Church (vv.2-3).**

*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; 3 not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock.*

*And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. 42 And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. 43 But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant,"* Mark 10:41-43 (ESV)

### **3. The Elders/Pastors reward (v.4).**

*And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.*

*Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable.* 1 Cor. 9:25 (ESV)

*I am coming soon. Hold fast what you have, so that no one may seize your crown.*

*Revelation 3:11 (ESV)*