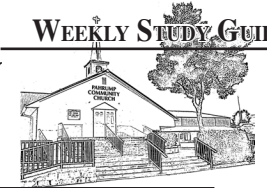


2. Since every Christian can come directly into the presence of God through Jesus Christ, why must the church have human leaders?



Who's in Charge?

EXTRA CREDIT QUESTION

- What are the three Greek words corresponding to the English words: *Elder*, *Overseer*, and *Shepherd (Pastor)*?

PERSONAL APPLICATION

- Are you obeying and submitting to your spiritual leaders?

If you have never been *born again*, contact Pastor Keith or a trusted Christian friend this week to find out how.

I. _____ church _____.

A. _____.

(SEE ACTS 1:8) 1 CORINTHIANS 12:28; EPHESIANS 2:19-20 (SEE 2 PETER 1:21)

B. _____.

EPHESIANS 2:20; 1 CORINTHIANS 12:28; EPHESIANS 3:4-5

C. _____ EPHESIANS 4:11-12

D. _____.

EPHESIANS 4:11-12; 2 TIMOTHY 4:1-2

E. _____ ACTS 6:1-6; PHILIPPIANS 1:1 (SEE 1 TIMOTHY 3:8-13)

II. _____ church _____.

A. _____.

• _____,
_____ (_____). ACTS 20:17-18,28

1. _____.

EPHESIANS 4:11-12; 1 TIMOTHY 5:17

2. _____.

B. _____ . ROMANS 10:13–15

C. _____ . 1 CORINTHIANS 12:5; 1 TIMOTHY 3:8–13

III. Application for _____

_____ .

A. A _____ perspective.

B. A _____ spiritual _____ .

1 CORINTHIANS 6:19–20

C. You are called to _____ , _____
and _____ your _____ .

MARK 8:34–35; HEBREWS 13:17

Conclusion: _____ your _____

and _____ to _____ . HEBREWS 13:17

STUDY QUESTIONS

1. List and summarize some Bible verses that prescribe the qualifications of an *elder*.

2. What does the word *deacon* mean?

3. In what sense is every Christian to be a “deacon”?
Defend your answer.

4. List and summarize some Bible verses that prescribe the qualifications of serving in the office of a *deacon*.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Define *personal autonomy*, and explain how is inconsistent with Christianity. Defend your answer.