

1 Timothy 3:1b

The Stewardship of Overseers

An Overseer is a Steward

A Steward's Work

- *A Desire for the Work*

- *It's Work*

- *It's a "Good" Work*

- *A Description of the Work*

Application of 1 Tim 3:1b

1. What does it mean that an overseer is a steward?
 - a. Who's the master?
 - b. What (or who) is an elder to steward?
 - c. What are some implications for an overseer because he is a steward (not the master)?
2. What does the word "desire" mean and who is to have this desire (hint: not a man's parents or the church)?
3. What's the significance of Paul shifting from the office of the overseer, to desiring **the work** of an overseer?
4. How may bad experiences or poor examples have tainted your view of church leadership? Ask God to help you align your view with His design and His Word and understand pastoral ministry is a "good work and noble task."
5. What are some components of a pastor's work? See Acts 20:17-35; 1 Tim 4:14; 5:17; Heb 13:7; James 5:14; 1 Pet 5:1-5
 - a. What do the terms "overseer" and "shepherd" teach us about the pastor's work?
6. How can you serve and support elders to fulfil their primary responsibilities?
 - a. What might some responsibilities be that the elders **should not** give their attention to and how can you be involved to help in these areas?
7. Given the work of the pastor/elders as stewards of God's flock, who will give an account for your soul, what are some of the ways you should relate with the elders?

Reading this week: Read 1 Tim 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9

Sermon Notes for Children (or Children at Heart)

Date _____

Pastor _____

<u>Book</u>	<u>Sermon Main Points</u>	<u>Other Bible References:</u>
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<u>Chapter</u>	<p>A Steward's W _____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A D _____ for the W _____ - It's W _____ - It's a "G _____" Work - A D _____ of the W _____ 	
<u>Verses</u>		

Words you heard during the sermon (tally each time)

God/Father	Christ/Jesus/Lord	Church	Elder(ship)	Steward(ship)	Overseer(s)	Work

What is the message about? _____

How can you do this? _____

What/who can you pray for? _____

Draw a picture related to the message: