

Three Strategic Goals for 2013
Goal #2 – To Foster a Biblical Understanding of the Church
Church Leaders: It's God's Church
Acts 20:28

The Apostle Paul intentionally called for the elders of the church in _____ so that he could carefully _____ them.

Acts 20:17

There are _____ which refer to the same office.

Acts 20:17, 28

_____ – (*presbyteros*) an older more mature male
 _____ – (*episkopos*) a guardian or supervisor
 _____ – (*poimainō*) shepherd or caretaker of sheep

These _____ are also used together by Peter.

1 Peter 5:1–2

The scripture teaches that all _____ are _____ and all _____ are _____.

There are only _____ biblical _____ in the church:
 _____ (elder, overseer)

Church leaders must never go to _____ on the _____.

They must always be on the _____ for _____.

Pay careful attention: προσέχω (*prosechō*): be _____ for, watch out, be on _____, beware
James Swanson, *Dictionary of Biblical Languages With Semantic Domains: Greek (New Testament)*, electronic ed. (Oak Harbor: Logos Research Systems, Inc., 1997).

Godly elders must be on guard against _____ and _____ their own team.

“Pay careful attention” is a present tense plural meaning that a _____ of _____ must be on guard.

Acts 20:30’ 1 Timothy 4:16

Godly elders must be _____ to the _____ of the flock.

Acts 20:29

Godly elders, not the _____, are called to _____ the flock.

Acts 20:31

The Holy Spirit makes _____.

Acts 20:28

Made – τίθημι (*tithēmi*): to assign someone to a particular task, function, or role—‘to _____, to _____, to assign, to give a task to.’

Johannes P. Louw and Eugene Albert Nida, vol. 1, *Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament: Based on Semantic Domains*, electronic ed. of the 2nd edition. (New York: United Bible Societies, 1996), 482.

Elders are godly men who have demonstrated ability to correctly _____ the _____ of God.

1 Timothy 3:1-7

Titus 1:5-9

The Holy Spirit has appointed _____ who are appointed by other _____.

Titus 1:5; Acts 14:23

To be an overseer implies _____ with _____.

Titus 1:7; 1 Peter 2:25; Hebrews 13:17

Overseers are to _____ for the _____ of God.

Acts 20:28

“to care for” - ποιμαίνω (*poimainō*): to _____, with the implication of _____ for—‘to guide and to help, to guide and take care of.’

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God _____ the Church with His own _____.

This is a reference to _____ who _____ for the church.

Ephesians 5:25; 5:2

Since the Church belongs to God, then it must _____ according to the Word of God.

Acts 20:32