

**Three Strategic Goals for 2013**

**Goal #2 – To Foster a Biblical Understanding of the Church**  
*Real Church Leadership is Soul Care*  
*Hebrews 13:7, 17*

Two major issues must be addressed if we are to rightly apply the principles of our text.

First – The standard for church leaders (elder, pastor, overseer) must be \_\_\_\_\_.

- a) See insert: \_\_\_\_\_ Qualifications of Elders
- b) Pastors must return to their biblical mandate to \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ of people.
- c) Church growth emphasis must be replaced with an emphasis on \_\_\_\_\_ growth and \_\_\_\_\_.

Second – \_\_\_\_\_ must be replaced with a commitment to local church community.

- a) Church is a \_\_\_\_\_ of believers in committed fellowship (\_\_\_\_\_).  
Acts 2:42
- b) Church is made of committed believers intentionally \_\_\_\_\_ together in \_\_\_\_\_ for the glory of God.
- c) Specific \_\_\_\_\_ are appointed by the Holy Spirit to \_\_\_\_\_ to specific local churches which are made up of specific believers.

Christians must develop a \_\_\_\_\_ to church leaders.

Hebrews 13:7

This is a call for believers to \_\_\_\_\_ those men who \_\_\_\_\_ taught the Word of God to them.

The dearest teacher is the one who \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ truth into your life.

Hebrews 13:7

Christians must think clearly and carefully about the godly leader's \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Hebrews 13:7

Godly leaders live \_\_\_\_\_ lives that are models for those who look to them.

Godly leaders should \_\_\_\_\_ in those entrusted to them.

The \_\_\_\_\_ of life should be those men who have lived lives of integrity and faith for Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:12–13

Christians must develop a biblical \_\_\_\_\_ to godly church leaders.

There are two simple commands given to all church members: \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Hebrews 13:17

The reason for Christian submission and obedience lies in \_\_\_\_\_ care.

Hebrews 13:17

Two questions based upon this verse help to clarify the issue of \_\_\_\_\_.

1. To which \_\_\_\_\_ should a Christian submit?
2. For which Christians will a \_\_\_\_\_ give an \_\_\_\_\_?

They keep \_\_\_\_\_ over your \_\_\_\_\_.

The leader will only be held accountable for the care of the \_\_\_\_\_ in his particular \_\_\_\_\_.

Godly leaders \_\_\_\_\_ when those they \_\_\_\_\_ to are growing and changing in Christ.

Hebrews 13:17

Members should strive to be a \_\_\_\_\_ and not a \_\_\_\_\_.

2 Corinthians 5:2

Joy filled leaders \_\_\_\_\_ even \_\_\_\_\_ in their service to the members.