

**HOW ARE ELDERS TO SHEPHERD GOD'S FLOCK?
WHAT THE SHEEP ARE TO KNOW
1 PETER 5:1-4**

- I. **FOLLOW PETER'S HUMBLE EXAMPLE:** He had a humble and proper understanding of his position as a "fellow elder" (1)

- II. **SHEPHERD GOD'S FLOCK with PROPER ACTIONS, MOTIVES and FOCUS (2-4)**
 - A. **THE FLOCK to be SHEPHERDED:** Its God's and is among you (2a)

 - B. **THE DUTY of the SHEPHERD:** Lead, feed and protect (2a, misc. passages)
 - 1. **Lead by Feeding** (2a, John 21:15-17, Acts 20:17-38, Ezek 34:1-10)

 - 2. **Exercise godly oversight, protecting** the flock (2a, Acts 20:17-38, Ezek 34:1-10)

 - C. **THE MANNER of the SHEPHERD:** How is it done? (2b-3)
 - 1. Shepherding His flock **voluntarily**, His way and not forced (2b)

 - 2. Shepherding His flock **eagerly** and not for personal gain (2b)

 - 3. Shepherding His flock **by becoming an example**, not as overlords. (3)

 - D. **THE FOCUS of the SHEPHERD:** The Chief Shepherd, who will come and reward (4)