

# *Spiritual Leadership in the Local Church*

Core Values Series – Part 5

## Our 5<sup>th</sup> Core Value

Our 5<sup>th</sup> core value is \_\_\_\_\_. This means our leaders are expected to follow the \_\_\_\_\_ pattern of servant leadership.

## Section I: The Structure of Leadership

- The local church is to be governed by a \_\_\_\_\_ of leaders (Acts 14:23). This means everybody is \_\_\_\_\_ to somebody.
- The notion of an \_\_\_\_\_ leader isn't found in Scripture. This is frequently a problem in so-called megachurches.
- Neither is the idea of an entirely \_\_\_\_\_-led church found in Scripture. This is frequently a problem in small churches.

## Section II: The Responsibilities of Leadership

- The leader's responsibility is to \_\_\_\_\_ the flock. This includes 4 major activities:

A. \_\_\_\_\_ the flock

Spiritual leadership is “*moving people from where they are to where \_\_\_\_\_ wants them to be.*” (Henry Blackaby)

B. \_\_\_\_\_ the flock

The leadership team's most sacred responsibility is to make certain the flock is provided and given access to sound \_\_\_\_\_ teaching.

C. \_\_\_\_\_ the flock

The American church is presently \_\_\_\_\_ in false teaching.

D. \_\_\_\_\_ for the flock

By necessity, this is often delegated, but needs to be modeled by leaders.

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### Section III: The Qualifications for Leadership

- There are four major qualifications for leadership in the local church. The qualifications become more stringent for those to whom the congregation entrusts the most responsibility.
  - A. The leader's character must be \_\_\_\_\_ (I Timothy 3:2).
  - B. The leader's home must be well-\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ (I Timothy 3:4).
  - C. The leader must be strong on the \_\_\_\_\_ of the faith (Acts 20:29).
  - D. The leader must exhibit a \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ spirit (Matthew 11:29).

### Application

- Going forward, one of the greatest threats to our church is a \_\_\_\_\_ leadership, where the church's leaders have too many \_\_\_\_\_.
- God is entrusting to a church's leaders that which is most \_\_\_\_\_ to him!