

# God's Good Design for Spiritual Authority

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## Four Characteristics of Healthy Pastoral Leadership in the Local Church

### 1.) The Sacrificial Model for Pastoral Ministry

*1 Peter 5:1*

*John 10:11*

### 2.) The Shepherd's Method for Pastoral Ministry

*"shepherd the flock of God that is among you serving as overseers..."*

*"...not by compulsion but willingly..."*

#### A.) Shepherding Demands Proactivity

*"...not for dishonest gain but eagerly"*

#### B.) Shepherding Exists for the People's Good.

*1 Peter 5:3*

#### C.) Shepherding Sets an Example

### 3.) The Sustaining Motivation for Pastoral Ministry

*1 Peter 5:4*

Three Implications for the Shepherd from Verse 4:

A.) Jesus is Returning For His People

B.) The Shepherd's Task is to Care Well For Those Entrusted to Us

C.) Seek the Lord

### 4.) The Simple Means of Benefitting From Pastoral Ministry

*1 Peter 5:5*