

EQUIPPING HOUR

Philosophy of Ministry (Part 2): Shepherd the Flock (1 Peter 5:1-4)

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Grammatical Outline of 1 Peter 5:1-4:

Peter exhorts pastors (5:1)...

1. whom to pastor (5:2a).
2. how to pastor (5:2b-3).
3. why to pastor (5:4).

The main idea of 1 Peter 5:1-4

The Apostle Peter, with empathy and humility, looking back to the cross and ahead to glory, exhorts the qualified men among the people to carry out pastoral responsibility, by overseeing God's precious people with eagerness, generosity, and imitable leadership, accountable to Jesus Christ, and motivated by eternal reward.

Understand 14 features of Peter's instructions to pastors:

1. empathy (5:1)

2. maturity (5:1)

3. plurality (5:1)

4. proximity (5:1)

5. humility (5:1)

6. the cross (5:1)

7. glory (5:1)

8. responsibility (5:2)