

1 Peter 5:1-4	As God wants Not greedy Not lording it over others An example Accountable to Chief Shepherd	By God's appointment Not money motivated Not dominating, lead not drive A pleasure to follow Motivated by the crown to be gained
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DEACONS

<u>Scripture</u>	<u>Qualifications</u>	<u>Explanation</u>
1 Timothy 3:8-13	Worthy of respect Sincere Not given to much wine Not a money-lover Hold to the faith Tested	Steady, solid individuals Serious about their tasks Not a wine-lover Not motivated by wealth With a clear conscience A proven servant's heart

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<u>Scripture</u>	<u>Qualifications</u>	<u>Explanation</u>
1 Timothy 3:11	Worthy of respect Not malicious gossips Temperate Trustworthy	Steady, solid individuals Control their tongues Calm and collected spirit Faithful, loyal, protective of what is good and right

Whether one is called to serve as an elder, deacon, or deaconess, who is humanly equipped to assume these roles? Who is sufficient or adequate for these things? Our sufficiency is of God (2 Cor. 3:4-6). Let us draw upon His inexhaustible resources as we trust Him not only for the process of identifying the people but also the pattern in which they provide servant-oriented leadership.