Who Should Lead the Church? Qualifications of Elders

1 Timothy 3:1-7

Qualifying Characteristics of a Church Pastor/Elder/Overseer (vs. 1-7)

1. If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task.

2. An overseer must be above reproach.

12. Not a lover of money.

13. Must manage his own household well.

15. Must be well thought of by outsiders.

14. Must not be a recent convert.

3. The husband of one wife.
4. Sober-minded.
5. Self-controlled.
6. Respectable.
7. Hospitable.
8. Able to teach.
9. Not a drunkard.
10. Not violent but gentle.
11. Not quarrelsome.