SETTING THE HOUSE IN ORDER A Study of the Book of Titus

WHEN SEARCHING FOR A PASTOR

Titus 1:5-9

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For the overseer must be above reproach as God's steward, not selfwilled, not quick-tempered, not addicted to wine, not pugnacious, not fond of sordid gain. Titus 1:7

What are the God-given requirements for a pastor?

- 1. A pastor must be above reproach.
- 2. A pastor must be a family man.
 - ... namely, if any man be above reproach, the husband of one wife, having children who believe, not accused of dissipation or rebellion. Titus 1:6
 - A. He is to be a one-woman man.
 - B. He is to be <u>leading his wife and kids in the fear of God</u>. (but if a man does not know how to manage his own household, how will he take care of the church of God?) 1 Timothy 3:5
- 3. A pastor must be a good manager of God's business.
 - * His <u>character and example</u> are critical.
- 4. A pastor must be skilled and faithful with the Word.
 - A. His job is to encourage with sound teaching.
 - B. His job is to refute with sound teaching.

The pastor and the people need to <u>respect the position</u>.