

Adult Impact Questions
December 3, 2017

If possible, read the book of I Peter 5:1-4 from several translations. For additional insight and study go to www.studylight.org.

1. In this passage Peter shifts his focus by addressing the church leaders. What is the basis of his appeal according to verse 1? Why do you think he appeals to them in this way?
2. In verses 2 and 3 Peter provides an admonition of how elders are to care for the church. Some are positive and some are negative. List them categorically.

Positive:

Negative:

What does it mean to shepherd God's flock?

What does it mean to serve as an overseer? According to this passage, how are they to shepherd and serve?

What does it mean to "lord it over" others? How can this affect the church?

Discuss ways an elder *eagerly* serves.

Discuss ways an elder sets an example.

3. According to verse 4, what is the reward a faithful elder will receive when Christ returns? Discuss what this reward means.
4. From this passage, discuss ways you can pray for the church leaders. Have someone close in prayer noting several of your closing points.

Next week: I Peter 5:5-6