



Lessons in Leading and Following
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I. Some are Chosen for Leadership

Verse 1 – "To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder, a witness of Christ's sufferings and one who also will share in the glory to be revealed..."

- The Inward Motive of a Servant

Verse 2-3 – "Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers — not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, but eager to serve; not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock."

Matthew 20:28 (NKJV)

"The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

- The Outward Role of a Shepherd

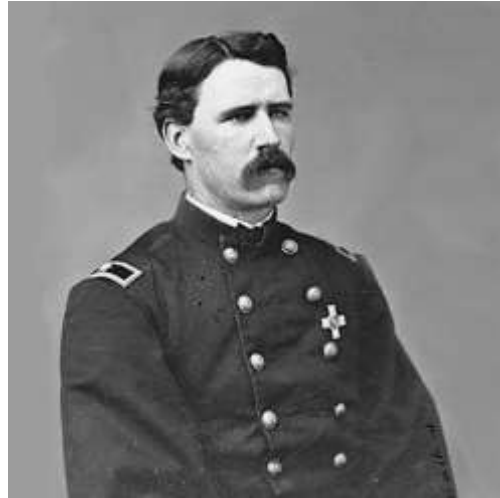
II. All are Called to Humility

Verse 5-6 – “...All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, ‘God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.’ Humble yourselves, therefore, under God’s mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.”

- God Resists the Proud
- God Rewards the Humble



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