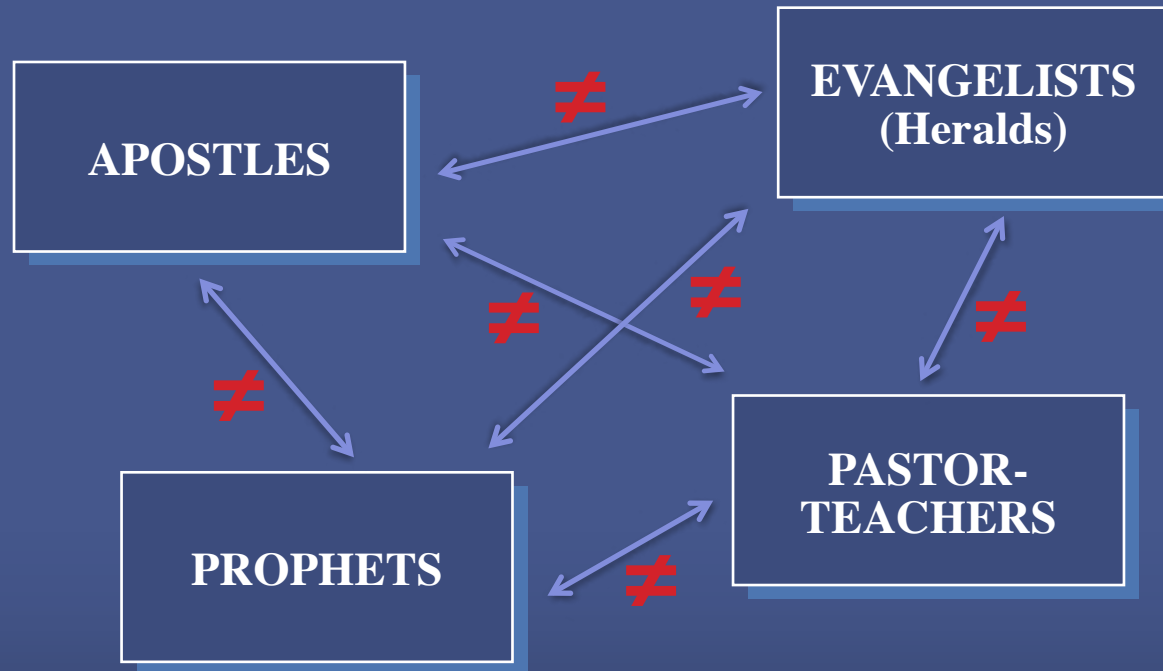




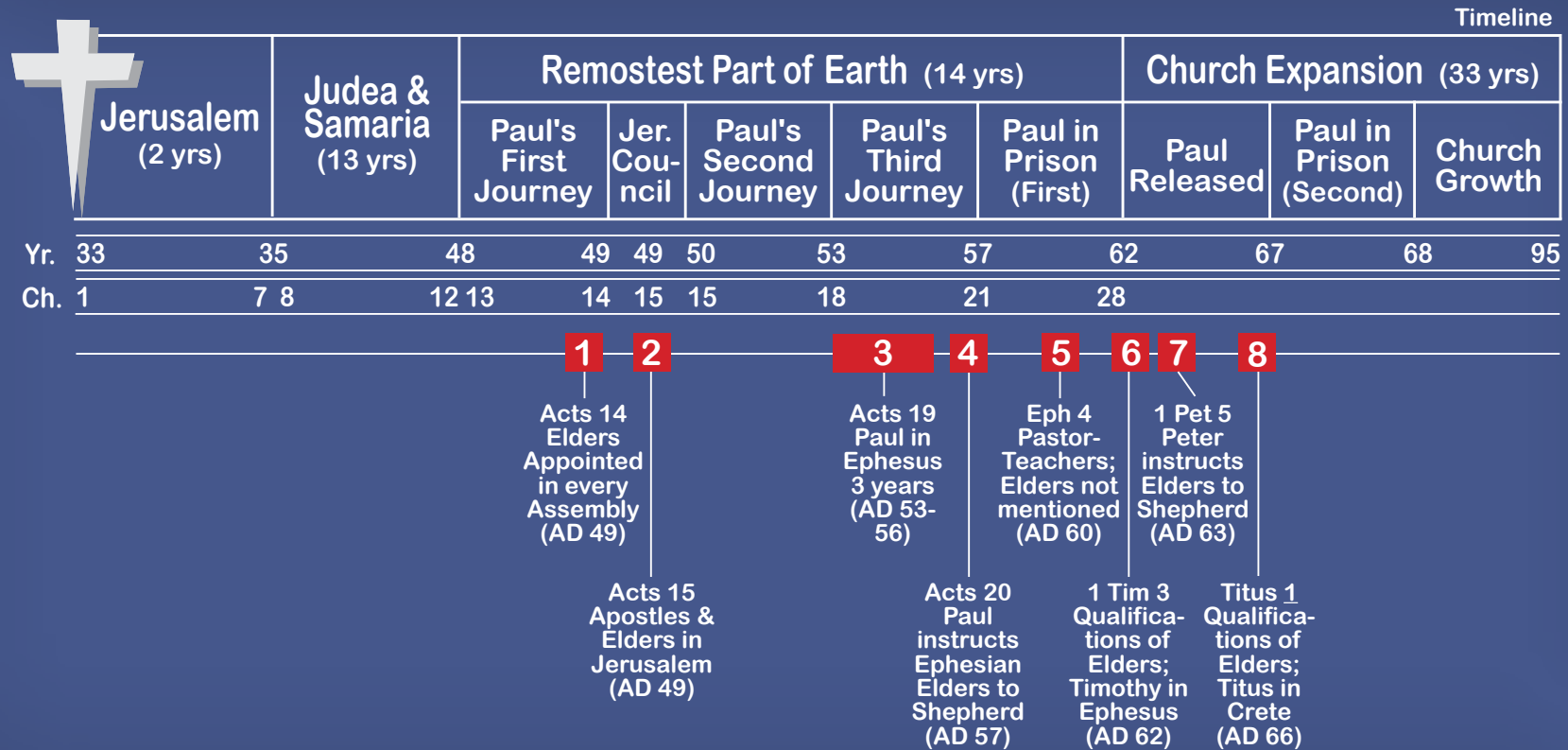
Office of Elder
Part #1
Identification



IDENTIFICATION OF CHURCH LEADERSHIP
Ephesians 4:11



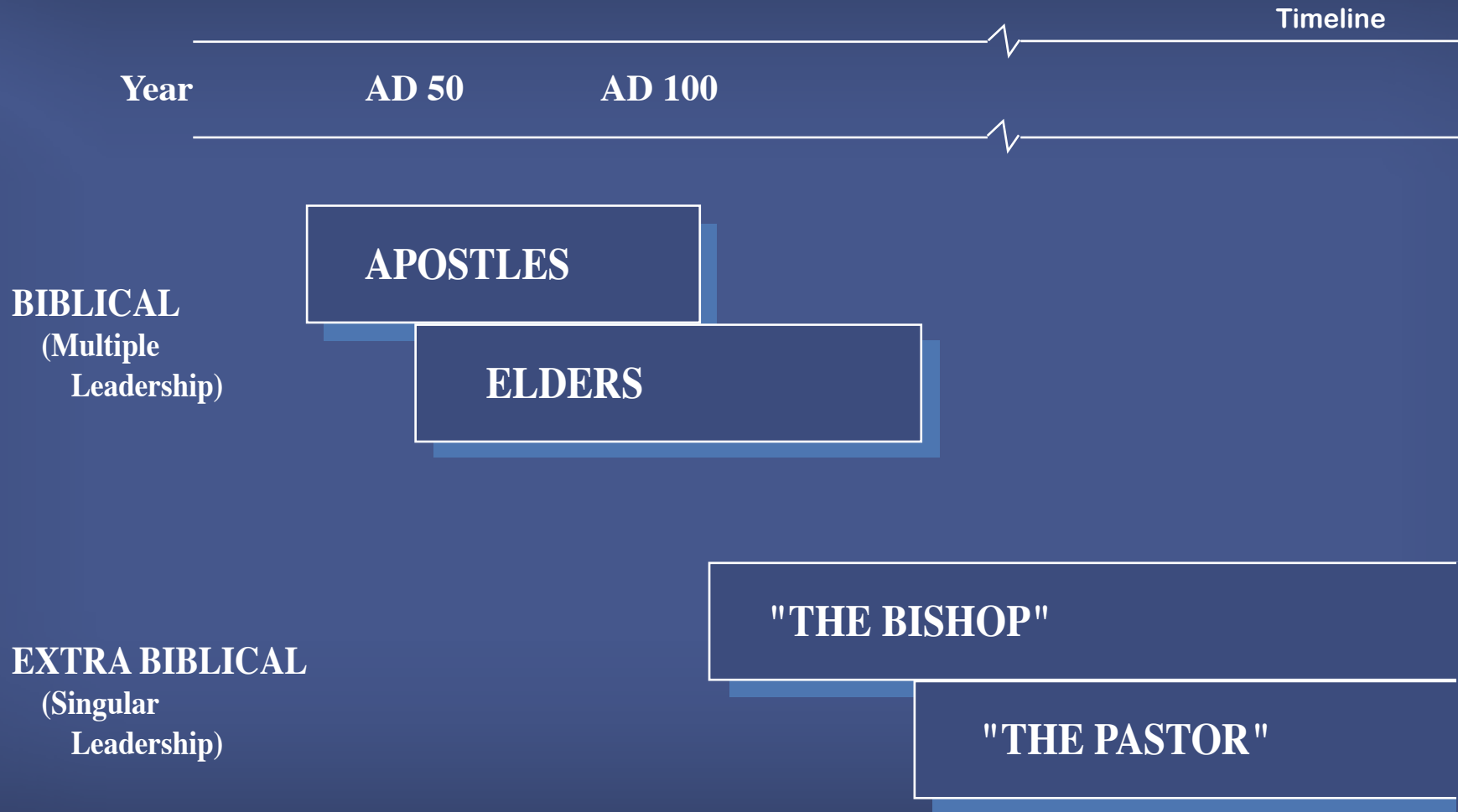
ELDERS IN HISTORICAL SETTING (in Acts and the Epistles)



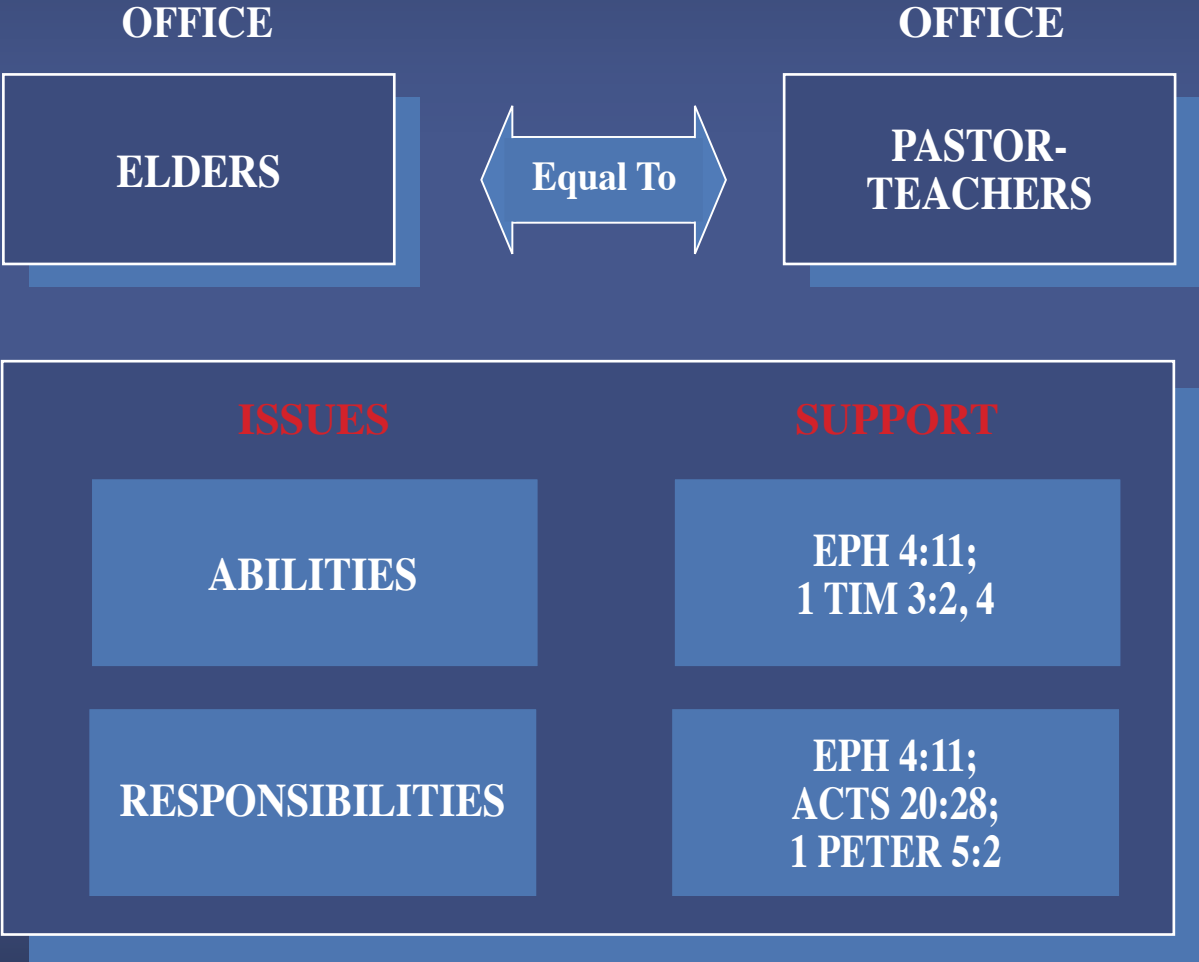
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TRANSITION IN CHURCH LEADERSHIP



NEW TESTAMENT LEADERSHIP



CRITERIA FOR LEADERSHIP (1 Timothy 3 & Titus 1)

KNOWLEDGE

Not a New Convert
Holding Fast the
Faithful Word

QUALITY

Above Reproach
Husband of One Wife
Temperate
Prudent
Respectable
Hospitable
Not Addicted to Wine
Not Pugnacious
Gentle
Uncontentious
Free from Love of Money
Children Under Control
Good Reputation with
those Outside
Blameless
Not Self-Willed
Not Quick-Tempered
Not Fond of Sordid Gain
Loving What is Good
Just
Devout
Self-Controlled

ABILITY

Manages His own
House Well
Able to Teach

ABILITY #1

Able to Lead

LEAD/RULE (New Testament)

ROMANS 12:8

Or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who *leads*, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:12

But we request of you, brethren, that you appreciate those who diligently labor among you, and *have charge over* you in the Lord and give you instruction,

1 TIMOTHY 3:4

He must be one who *manages* his own household well, keeping his children under control with all dignity

1 TIMOTHY 3:5

(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 3:12

Deacons must be husbands of only one wife, and good *managers* of their children and their own households.

1 TIMOTHY 5:17

The elders who *rule* well are to be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching.

TITUS 3:8

This is a trustworthy statement; and concerning these things I want you to speak confidently, so that those who have believed God will be careful *to engage* in good deeds. These things are good and profitable for men.

TITUS 3:14

Our people must also learn *to engage* in good deeds to meet pressing needs, so that they will not be unfruitful.

"LEAD/RULE" IN NEW TESTAMENT
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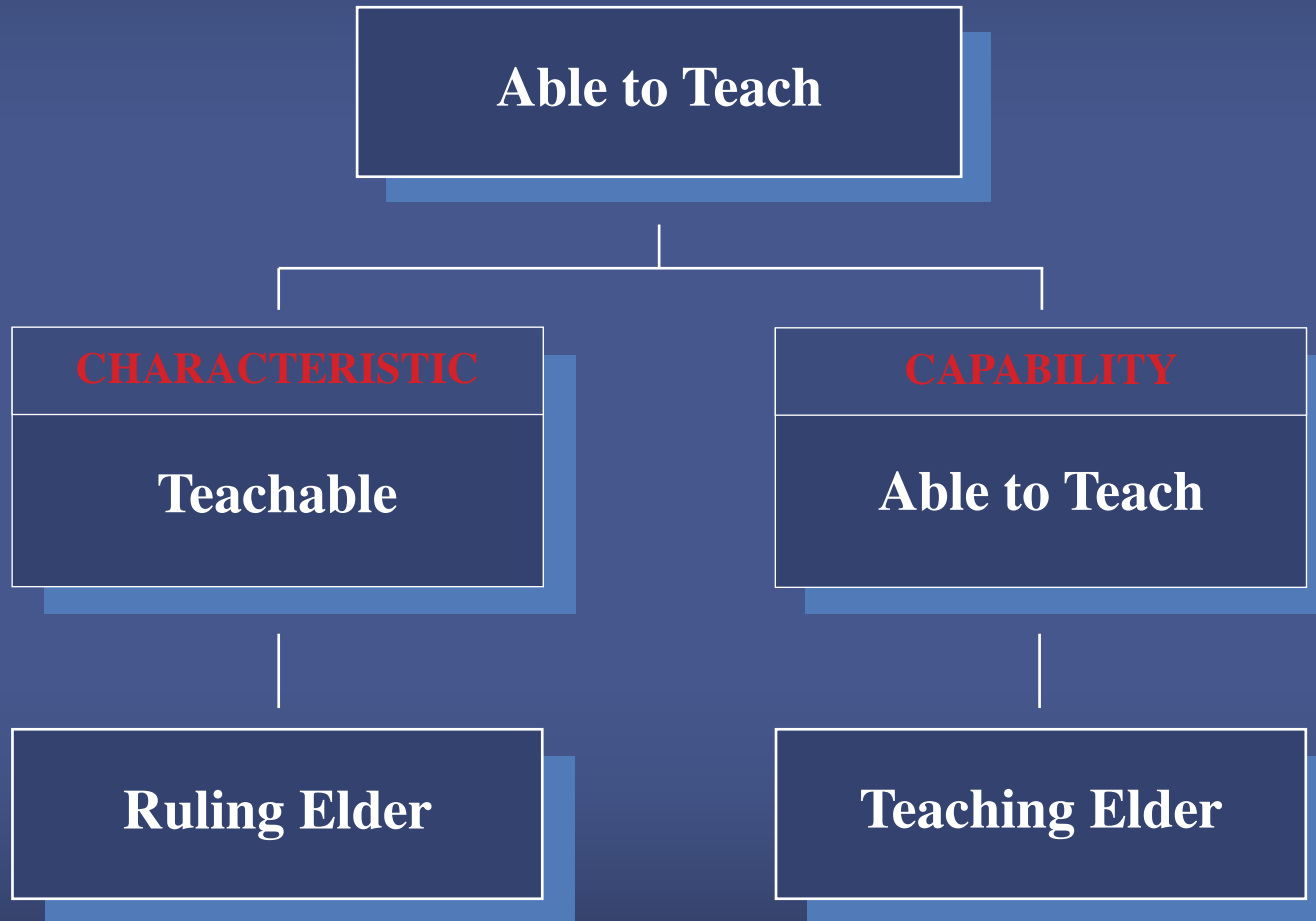
<u>PASSAGE</u>	<u>IDENTITY</u>	<u>EXPLANATION</u>
ROM 12:8	INDIVIDUAL	SPIRITUAL GIFT
1 THESS 5:12	LEADER	FUNCTIONING OF OFFICE
1 TIM 3:4	ELDER	ABILITY
1 TIM 3:5	ELDER	ABILITY
1 TIM 3:12	DEACON	ABILITY
1 TIM 5:17	ELDER	FUNCTIONING OF OFFICE
TITUS 3:8	INDIVIDUAL	MAINTAINING GOOD WORKS
TITUS 3:14	INDIVIDUAL	MAINTAINING GOOD WORKS

ABILITY #2

Able to Teach



QUALIFICATION OF ELDERS



TEACHER (Pauline Epistles)

ROMANS 2:20

A corrector of the foolish, a *teacher* of the immature, having in the Law the embodiment of knowledge and of the truth

1 CORINTHIANS 12:28

And God has appointed in the church, first apostles, second prophets, third *teachers*, then miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, various kinds of tongues.

1 CORINTHIANS 12:29

All are not apostles, are they? All are not prophets, are they? All are not *teachers*, are they? All are not workers of miracles, are they?

EPHESIANS 4:11

And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and *teachers*

1 TIMOTHY 1:7

Wanting to be *teachers* of the Law, even though they do not understand either what they are saying or the matters about which they make confident assertions.

1 TIMOTHY 2:7

For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying) as a *teacher* of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

1 TIMOTHY 3:2

An overseer, then, must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, prudent, respectable, hospitable, *able to teach*

2 TIMOTHY 1:11

For which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle and a *teacher*.

2 TIMOTHY 2:24

The Lord's bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, *able to teach*, patient when wronged,

2 TIMOTHY 4:3

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves *teachers* in accordance to their own desires

TITUS 2:3

Older women likewise are to be reverent in their behavior, not malicious gossips nor enslaved to much wine, *teaching* what is good

PAUL'S USE OF "TEACHER"

PASSAGE	WORD USED				CONTEXT
	1	2	3	4	
ROM 2:20	X				TEACHER OF THE IMMATURE
1 COR 12:28	X				GIFT FOR CHURCH
1 COR 12:29	X				GIFT FOR CHURCH
EPH 4:11	X				GIFT (OFFICE) FOR CHURCH
1 TIM 1:7		X			TEACHER OF THE LAW
1 TIM 2:7	X				GIFT (OFFICE) FOR CHURCH
1 TIM 3:2				X	SKILLED ELDER
2 TIM 1:11	X				GIFT (OFFICE) FOR CHURCH
2 TIM 2:24				X	SKILLED SERVANTS OF GOD
2 TIM 4:3	X				TEACHER ALIGNED WITH DESIRES
TITUS 2:3			X		TEACHERS OF GOOD THINGS

1	Teacher	<i>didaskalos</i>	noun
2	Teacher of the Law	<i>nomodidaskalos</i>	noun
3	Teacher of Good Things	<i>kalodidaskalos</i>	noun
4	Skilled in Teaching	<i>didaktikos</i>	adjective

AUTHORITY OF ELDERS



NEW TESTAMENT ELDER

ABILITIES

Leading
1 Tim 3:4–Ability
(Rom 12:8–Gift)



RESPONSIBILITIES

Leader
Eph 4:11

Teaching
1 Tim 3:2–Ability
(Rom 12:7–Gift)



Teacher
Eph 4:11