

**Church As She Should Be** (part 13)  
**Local Church Leadership As It Should Be - Part 1**  
**1 Thessalonians 5:12-13**  
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**1 Thessalonians 5:12-13**

**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, <sup>13</sup> and that you esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Live in peace with one another. (NASB)**

**1 Thessalonians 5:12-13**

**Dear brothers and sisters, honor those who are your leaders in the LORD's work. They work hard among you and give you spiritual guidance. <sup>13</sup> Show them great respect and wholehearted love because of their work. And live peacefully with each other. (NLT)**

- 1. What "titles" or "categories" of local church leadership are there? (also ref. 1 Peter 5:1-4; Philippians 1:1)**

**P – Pastoral-Eldership – Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastor-Teacher → \*\*\* 4-Fold Leadership \*\*\***

**Is it 5-fold or 4-fold? (hint: Ephesians 4:11-16 – how many "some as" are there? – ref. NASB )**

**D – Deacons (ref. 1 Timothy 3:8-13; Acts 6:1-7)**

**A.T.L. stands for: Action Team Leadership**

- 2. How are the members of the local congregation supposed to VIEW and BEHAVE TOWARD their pastoral-elders?**

**(also ref.: 1 Timothy 5:17-18; Hebrews 13:7,17)**

**Massively Appreciative, Loving, Kind and Respectful.**

**→ Willingly submitting to their leadership. Follow, Obey, Trust**

**Why do you think God wants it this way?**

**→ It is how we relate to Christ, as they follow Christ under**

**His Leadership – we follow our local church leadership according to God's Word – it must always align with God's Word.**

**It reflects our heart toward Christ as we follow Christ, together, as the leadership follows Christ, all as a Body, local. It is a witness to the World.**

- 3. The Last sentence in 1 Thess. 5:13 – relates to what?**

**L-C-R → Leadership – Congregational Relations**

**This is regarding how the Congregation and the Leadership relate to one another.**

**The Leadership and the Congregation need to be at Peace with one another**

**"Live in peace with one another."**

**"And live peacefully with each other"**