

Organized Religion

1 Timothy 3 (ESV)

Introduction: Organization is a GOOD thing in the body/army! (Ephesians 4:11 – 16; 2 Timothy 2:3)

1. Leadership is _____!

... To _____. (1 Timothy 1:3 – 7; 4:1 – 3; 6:2 – 4; Titus 1:10 – 16)

...To maintain _____. (1 Timothy 2, 5; Titus 1:5 – 9)

...To supply _____.

2. Leadership is given:

Overseer – one who actively _____ the church.

Deacon – one who actively _____ the church under the Overseers.

3. Leadership is _____. Character is primary!

Above reproach = a _____ by all standards. (v. 2, 9 – 10)

Unincumbered and God – controlled: In _____.

Key Considerations:

- Overseers must be able to _____. (v. 2)
- Can women be Overseers? _____. (1 Timothy 2:12 – 14)
- Can women be Deacons? _____! (v. 11)

4. (TRUE) Organized Religion...

...supports the _____ Word! (v. 14 – 15)

...proclaims the _____ Word! (v. 16)