## **Gospel Growth Fall Study**

## Lesson 6: Missional Elders

Begin using on October 16

1. How well do you think the elders of Annapolis EP fulfill their calling?

Read I Timothy 3:1-7

- 2. While not everyone can or should be an elder, the fact that the calling is noble should cause us all to desire to live up to the standard. What are the standards for this position?
- 3. If you read this passage in light of I Timothy 2:4 what does it seem to say is the purpose for such a high standard of conduct? (The list of requirements are bookended with this same idea.)
- 4. "Above reproach" doesn't mean "perfect" (*if it did we would have no elders*). What does it mean to live "above reproach"?

  What are ways you need to grow so that you can be above reproach in the eyes of a watching world?
- 5. What are ways you can live as an example of the Gospel's work in front of non-believers? Are there people whose forgiveness you need to pursue because you have set them a bad example of the Gospel?

