

CHAPTER 3

Elders ordain priests and teachers by the laying on of hands. About A.D. 401–21.

1 The manner which the disciples, who were called the ^aelders of the church, ^bordained ^cpriests and teachers—

2 After they had prayed unto the Father in the name of Christ, they ^alaid their hands upon them, and said:

3 In the name of Jesus Christ I ordain you to be a priest (or if he be a ^ateacher, I ordain you to be a teacher) to preach repentance and ^bremission of sins through Jesus Christ, by the endurance of faith on his name to the end. Amen.

4 And after this manner did they ^aordain priests and teachers, according to the ^bgifts and callings of God unto men; and they ordained them by the ^cpower of the Holy Ghost, which was in them.