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Therefore, I exhort the elders among you, as *your* fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the glory that is to be revealed,

shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to *the will of* God; and not for sordid gain, but with eagerness;

nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock.

And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

1 Peter 5:1-4, NASB 1995

### Shepherds exercise oversight

### Shepherds feed the flock

Then I will give you shepherds after My own heart, who will feed you on knowledge and understanding.

Jeremiah 3:15, NASB 1995

For I AM gives wisdom; From His mouth *come* knowledge and understanding.

Proverbs 2:6

For Ezra had set his heart to study the law of I AM and to practice *it*, and to teach *His* statutes and ordinances in Israel.

Ezra 7:6, NASB 1995

### Shepherds prove to be an example

So when He had washed their feet, and taken His garments and reclined *at the table* again, He said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you?

You call me Teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am.

If I then, the Lord and the Teacher, washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet.

For I gave you an example that you also should do as I did to you.”

John 13:12-15, NASB

The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4:9, NASB 1995