

## The High Call of Eldership – Living Above Reproach 1 Timothy 3:1-7

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## START TALKING | Get your group thinking.

1. In the world today, what qualifications do people look for in their leaders and what would disqualify someone from a leadership role?

## START SHARING | Get your group engaging with the message.

Read 1 Timothy 3:1-7

- 2. According to Scripture, who can serve as an elder in the church? See 1 Timothy 3:2.
- 3. Based on the following verses, describe the role of an elder.
  - a) 1 Peter 5 1-2
  - b) Acts 20:28-30, Matthew 18:15-17, 1 Corinthians 5:1-5
  - c) Titus 1:9
- 4. Pastor Dustin said, "You live above reproach by cultivating integrity into your life." Describe five (or more) ways to cultivate integrity into your life.
- 5. How are we to live above reproach by guarding our minds? See James 1:14-15, Romans 12:2, and Philippians 4:8
- 6. According to 2 Corinthians 5:20, we are ambassadors for Christ. Pastor Dustin said, "Nothing is more dangerous to the gospel witness than a Christian who fails to live above reproach." In what ways can we maintain a godly reputation?

## START LIVING | Get your group applying God's Word to daily life.

- 7. In what areas of your life are you tempted to compromise and not live above reproach?
- 8. How can your Life Group help you live above reproach as an ambassador for Christ?