



CHURCH LEADERSHIP MATTERS

Ephesians 4:11-16; 1 Peter 5:1-7
John 21:15-17; Hebrews 13:7, 17
Titus 1:5-9; 1 Timothy 3:1-13

The Church belongs to Jesus Christ. We are *His* Church!



Jesus Christ is the **Head** of
Open Door Bible Church:

- ***Ephesians 1:22***
- ***Ephesians 5:23***
- ***Colossians 1:18***
- ***1 Corinthians 3:9-11***

A biblically healthy
and spiritually growing
local church will be
**actively obeying
and learning about**
Jesus Christ's commands,
principles, and desires
for His Church.



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4 Reasons Why God Gives His Church Instruction about Church Leadership

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1. To prosper and protect the spiritual maturity and growth of His Church
(Ephesians 4:11-16)

4 Reasons Why God Gives His Church Instruction about Church Leadership:

2. To provide loving oversight
and compassionate
shepherding for His Church
(1 Peter 5:1-7; John 21:15-17)

4 Reasons Why God Gives His Church Instruction about Church Leadership:

3. To provide a Scripturally
consistent structure and
testimony for His Church
(Titus 1:5-9; 1 Timothy 3:1-13)

4 Reasons Why God Gives His Church Instruction about Church Leadership:

4. To provide a physical and ongoing example of Christian discipleship for His Church
(Hebrews 13:7, 17)



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church leadership highlight
His great love and care
for His Church.



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In closing...

**God has given His Church
2 Offices for Church Leadership:
Pastor/Elder & Deacon**



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In closing...

**Submission to God's Word and
obedience to His instructions
must be at the forefront of each
Christian's heart and mind.**



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In closing...

**If we love God, we will keep
His commandments.
(They are truly for our good!)**



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In closing...

**Pray for your church leaders
and serve together with them
(rather than against them).**



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