

Study Guide to Alexander Strauch's *Biblical Eldership*

Chapter 4: Qualified Leadership

Q: Strauch wrote that, “the most common mistake made by churches that are eager to implement eldership is to appoint biblically unqualified men” (pg. 68). Why does this happen? What happens to a church that compromises on the biblical qualifications?

A: _____

Strauch breaks the biblical qualifications down into three broad categories: moral and spiritual character, abilities, and Spirit given motivation. Let’s discuss them generally as we will examine each specific qualification later on.

Q: What does God require of elders concerning their moral and spiritual character? Why?

A: _____

Q: What abilities must a man have to be qualified for eldership?

A: _____

Q: Strauch argues that leaders are to be living examples to the church? What are some of the implications of this for pastoral ministry?

A: _____

Q: What must motivate an elder to serve the church? Why?

A: _____

