

# Connect Group Sermon-Based Questions

## Meetings November 17<sup>th</sup> – November 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Pastor John Spencer**

**1 Timothy 3:1-7**

1. Verse 1 says, "If a man desires the position of a bishop, he desires a good thing." The Paul gives Timothy some character qualities that are important in church leadership, using the word, "must". What does "must" mean in this context? What are the important character traits of a church leader? Take some time and discuss each.
2. Considering 1 Peter 5:1-4, summarize some of the practical characteristics of a church leader.
3. Character and gifting are both important in church leadership. Which do you think is more important, and why?
4. What vices are dangerous to church leaders? What is your appropriate response to a leader who is compromised by their vices?
5. In Pastor John's closing thoughts, he gave 3 things that indicate weak leadership in a church. What are they and what do they look like?