

Inside the Text:

- I. A Healthy Church follows God’s pattern for godly servant-leadership. (1-13)**
 - A. Pastors are called to teach and lead. (1-7)

 - B. Deacons are called to support and serve. (8-12)

- II. A Healthy Church produces called, qualified, and confirmed men for Gospel ministry. (3:1-7)**
 - A. You must confirm his calling. (1)

 - B. You must evaluate his character. (2-3)

 - C. You must assess his effectiveness. (4-7)

Application:

- **The Pastor and his home life...**
 - Remember the “glass house” principle
 - Respect his desire to place a priority on his family
 - Pray for the spiritual prosperity of his family
- **The Pastor and his ministry...**
 - Do I know of any accusations against him that will stick?
 - Does his teaching/preaching ministry facilitate my growth?
 - Is he spiritually mature?
- **The Pastor and the community...**
 - Does he desire to reach the community for Christ?
 - Is he well thought of in the community?