The Person & Work of the Holy Spirit

This week we examine the gifted leader of the Church that we're all most familiar with...the Pastor, or as some prefer the Pastor/Teacher.

1) The pastor and his work

"And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some **pastors** and teachers..." Ephesians 4:11

Using the Blueletter Bible look up the word "*pastor*" in Ephesians 4:11 and write down the meaning of the word and what they do.

2) The work and responsibility of the pastor

"Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly; nor as being lords over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock; and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away." 1Peter 5:2-4

According to the apostle Peter what should a pastor do?

What should a pastor not do?

What attitude should a pastor have toward his ministry & the people entrusted to his care?

What reward will a faithful pastor receive from Jesus?

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3) Read Jesus' instructions to Peter as recorded in John 21:15-17. What are the three things that Jesus told Peter to do?

Define how a pastor should fulfill these three duties in the church or ministry that God has placed him in.

- 4) Read 1Timothy 3:1-7 and make a list of the qualifications that a man must meet to serve as an elder (pastor):
- 5) The qualifications for an elder (pastor or leader in the church) is a high standard! Do you think that the apostle Paul meant that a man must be perfect to serve as a pastor? Why or why not?
- 6) Read 1Timothy 5:19-20

What would disqualify a man from serving as a pastor?

What would be cause to remove a man from the pastoral ministry?

Why did the apostle Paul say that a sinning elder (pastor or church leader) should be rebuked publicly?