

Guard the Flock!

Acts 20:28-32

- A. The Task – Be on Guard! 28
 - 1. For yourselves
 - 2. For the flock
- B. The Responsibility. 28
 - 1. Their authority -
 - 2. Their position -
 - 3. Their task -
 - 4. The solemnity -
 - 5. Three parts of Shepherding
 - a. Guard the Flock. (Acts 20:28-32)
 - b. Feed the Flock. (John 21:15-17)
 - c. Guide the Flock. (Revelation 7:13-17)
- C. The Danger. 29-30
 - 1. The time of the danger -
 - 2. The nature of the danger
 - a. Savage wolves. 29
 - b. Disciple-draggers. 30
- D. Be Alert! 31
 - 1. The warning -
 - 2. The reminder -
- E. The Resources. 32
 - 1. God Himself
 - 2. The Word of God.
- F. Making it plain.
- G. Example 1
- H. Example 2
- I. What about FHCC?
- J. Danger Signals
 - 1. “We have to do it this way. That’s what the State of Kansas demands.”
 - 2. “We’ve always done it this way.”
 - 3. “This has worked well for our church in the past.”
- K. What is the goal of the church?
- L. A practical matter. We need to learn the qualifications and the “job description” the New Testament stipulates for elders.
 - 1. Acts 20:28-32
 - 2. 1 Timothy 3:1-7
 - 3. Titus 1:5-9
 - 4. 1 Peter 5:1-4
- M. Principles our church must live by:
 - 1. Let the Bible trump church tradition.
 - 2. Don’t let Church Tradition trump the Bible!
- N. In closing...
 - 1. Elders are to guard the flock!
 - 2. God bought the flock with His own blood!
 - 3. We must have qualified elders!
 - 4. Do your homework! (See L above.)

Guard the Flock!

Acts 20:28-32

A. The Task – Be on Guard! 28

1. For _____
2. For the _____

B. The Responsibility. 28

1. Their authority -
2. Their position -
3. Their task -
4. The solemnity -
5. Three parts of Shepherding
 - a. _____ the Flock. (Acts 20:28-32)
 - b. _____ the Flock. (John 21:15-17)
 - c. _____ the Flock. (Revelation 7:13-17)

C. The Danger. 29-30

1. The time of the danger -
2. The nature of the danger
 - a. Savage _____. 29
 - b. _____-dragers. 30

D. Be Alert! 31

1. The warning -
2. The reminder -

E. The Resources. 32

1. _____ Himself
2. The _____ of God.

F. Making it plain:

G. Example 1 -

H. Example 2

I. What about FHCC?

J. Danger Signals

1. “We _____ to do it this way. That’s what the State of _____ demands.”
2. “We’ve _____ done it this way.”
3. “This has worked _____ for our church in the _____.”

K. What is the goal of the church?

L. A practical matter. We need to learn the qualifications and the “job description” the New Testament stipulates for _____.

1. Acts 20:28-32
2. 1 Timothy 3:1-7
3. Titus 1:5-9
4. 1 Peter 5:1-4

M. Principles our church must live by:

1. Let the Bible _____ church tradition.
2. Don’t let Church Tradition _____ the Bible!

N. In closing...

1. Elders are to _____ the flock!
2. God bought the flock with His own _____!
3. We must have _____ elders!
4. Do your homework! (See L above.)