

## STUDY QUESTIONS FOR 1 TIMOTHY LESSON 2 (CHAPTER 3)

1. According to Matthew 16:18, how many churches did Jesus promise to build?
2. According to Ephesians 1:22-23, by what other name is the church known?
3. According to Ephesians 4:4, how many bodies are there?
4. If the church is the body, and if there is only one body, how many churches are there?
5. What did Jesus forbid in Matthew 23:9?
6. According to Matthew 28:19, what did Jesus say that He had been given?
7. Is there any significant difference in the terms pastor, bishop, overseer, and shepherd?
8. What important point do we learn regarding the position of elders in the church when we read in Acts 20:17, "From Miletus he [Paul] sent to Ephesus and called for the **elders** of the church"?
9. List two different passages in the New Testament where the qualifications of elders are given.
10. What does the Bible mean when it says that an elder must be "blameless"?
11. What does the Bible mean when it says that an elder must be "sober minded"?
12. When the Bible says that an elder must have "faithful children," does it mean that an elder and his wife **must** have more than one child?
13. What does the Bible mean when it says that an elder cannot be a novice?
14. Do elders have authority to alter matters of truth?
15. If a congregation of the Lord's church does not have elders, is it necessarily sinning?
16. What does the word "deacon" mean?
17. What does 1 Timothy 3:9 mean when it says that deacons must "hold the mystery of the faith with a pure conscience"?
18. When the Bible says that a deacon is not to be "given to much wine," does that imply that it is acceptable for a deacon to drink "a little bit of wine"?
19. Does Romans 16:1 prove that it is acceptable to have deaconesses in the church? Why or why not?
20. There is a passage in the Book of Philippians that provides an excellent one-verse summary of the organization of the Lord's church. Where is that passage located?