

“The Shepherd’s Charge.”

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Text: 1 Tim 4.1-16

Sermon Series: “A Divine Blueprint.”

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I. A Pastor Must Protect the Sheep (vv. 1–5)

- The Holy Spirit warns that some will leave the faith, misled by false teachings.
 - False teachers lie and have no conscience.
 - They impose strict rules like forbidding marriage and certain foods.
 - But God’s good gifts should be received with thanksgiving and sanctified by the Word and prayer.
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II. A Pastor Must Lead the Sheep (vv. 6–12)

- A good pastor feeds on Scripture and sound teaching and passes it on.
 - He avoids silly myths and focuses on training in godliness.
 - Godliness is valuable for this life and the next.
 - Ministry is hard work, but we trust the living God, the Savior of all, especially believers.
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III. A Pastor Must Feed the Sheep (vv. 13–16)

- He publicly reads Scripture, shows spiritual growth, and carefully watches his life and teaching.
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Closing: Look to the Good Shepherd (Hebrews 13:20-21)