

Who Should We Follow?

Introduction

Opening Illustration –

1. Anarchy in the Church is no more effective than in government.
 - a. Commanded to make disciples. Matthew 28:18–20
 - b. Follow me as I follow Christ. 1 Corinthians 11:1
2. What makes a good leader?
 - a. Not physical traits.
 - i. Saul the most handsome. 1 Samuel 9:1–2
 - ii. David was good looking. 1 Samuel 16:6–13
 - b. Heart for God.
 - i. David had a heart for God. 1 Samuel 13:13–14; Psalm 27:7–14
 - ii. Asa had a loyal heart. 1 Kings 15:11–15
3. What are outward signs of man with a heart for God? 1 Timothy 3:1–7; Titus 1:5–9
 - a. Individual Behavior
 - i. Blameless
 - ii. Not controlled by sin’s desire.
 - iii. A lover of what is good.
 - b. Family Relationships
 - i. Husband of one wife
 - ii. Rules His Own House
 - iii. Children in Submission and Faithful
 - c. Christian Faith
 - i. Not a novice
 - ii. Holding fast the faithful word.
 1. So that by sound doctrine he can exhort and convict those who contradict sound doctrine.
 - d. Government/Community Reputation
 - i. Good Testimony
 1. lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

Closing Illustration –

Closing Thought