# LIFE TOGETHER 'Overseers & deacons' 1 Timothy 3:1-16

- leadership matters

## **CARE of SOULS** (v1-7)

- what is the 'overseer' job? 1

- who should be appointed?<sup>2</sup>

### **CARE of STUFF** (v8-13)

- what is the 'deacon' job? 3

- who should be appointed?

### **CHURCH of GOD** (v14-16)

- the church of God (who we are)

- the truth of Christ (what we have)

#### Questions for discussion & reflection:

- how do these lists of qualities challenge you personally?
- do you ever feel 'but it's just church'? Why are we tempted to think that way?
- How damaging to the gospel are bad church leaders?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 1 Peter 5:1-2; Acts 20:28

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 1 Timothy 2:12; Titus 1:9; 1 Peter 5:3; 2:25