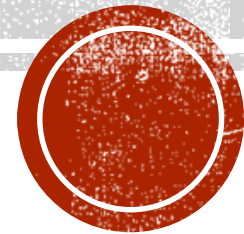


# EXHORTATION TO THE EPHESIAN ELDERS

Acts 20:13-38



# ACTS 20:28

- Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.



# ACTS 20:13-38

- Example in ministry (17-27)
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# EXAMPLE IN MINISTRY (17-27)

- Paul's ministry was a passionate proclamation of the whole counsel of God focused on the gospel of the grace of God
- His ministry was characterized by the following:
  - Serving in humility through tears and trials (17-19)
  - Not shrinking back in public or private (20)
  - Preaching the gospel to Jews and Greeks (21)
  - Finishing his ministry despite affliction (22-24)
  - Proclaiming for the sake of conscience (25-26)
  - Sharing the whole counsel of God with all (27)



# EXHORTATION TO THE ELDERS (28-38)

- This exhortation is a sober charge to care for God's people with convictional resolve and compassionate generosity.
- Our care should be characterized by the following:
  - Protecting God's flock from false teaching (29-31)
  - Feeding God's flock the word of his grace (32)
  - Seeking to serve rather than to be served (33-38)

