

THE LOCAL CHURCH – Leadership – Tuesday, February 2nd

- **A big reason why God puts you in a church is to hook to the leadership that you need**
 - According to the Bible you need people over you in the Lord-Ac20:28-*Take heed therefore unto yourselves and to all the flock over the which the Holy Ghost has made you overseers to feed the church of God*
 - If you believe the Bible, then you believe you need leadership-Hb13:7-*Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the Word of God: whose faith follow; **17** Obey them that have the rule over you and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls; **1Th5:12**-We beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among and are over you in the Lord and admonish (caution, warn, reprove) you; And esteem them very highly in love for their works sake. And be at peace among yourselves*
- **4 Functions of Leadership**
 - Bring the Word of God to you-Hb13:7-Some things from God's word He will only give to you by through your leadership-1) Free-Jn8:32 2) Faith-Rm10:17, 1Jn5:4 3) Strengthen inner man
 - Protection-Hb13:17-CJB-Keep watch over your lives-They are a line of protection (teaching & prayer)
 - Why many believers lives are a mess-A line of protection God put in place that they don't have
 - Correction-1Th5:12-It keeps you from going down a wrong path and falling into trouble
 - Perfection-They are to help you develop so you can enjoy victory over the devil and fulfill your call *Ep4:11-12-He gave some, apostles; and some prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers: For the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body*
- **Look at what a person with no leadership misses out on that they're supposed to have-The enemy doesn't want you in your church under your leadership**
 - The enemy will give you a verse to justify you're disobedience-1Jn2:26-AMP- *I write this to you with reference to those who would deceive you [seduce and lead you astray]. But as for you, the anointing (the sacred appointment, the unction) which you received from Him abides [permanently] in you; [so] then you have no need that anyone should instruct you. But just as His anointing teaches you concerning everything and is true and is no falsehood*