

The Church Of Christ

Lesson 6: The Organizational Structure Of The Local Church

Does the universal church have an earthly organizational structure?

Has God provided the local church with an organizational structure?

1. Elders

How many Greek words are used in reference to this office in the local church? What do these words indicate?

What qualifications must these individuals meet? List some observations concerning these qualifications.

What is the work of elders?

How many elders must there be?

What is the scope of the elders' oversight?

2. Deacons

What does the Greek word “diakonos” mean?

What qualifications must these individuals meet? List some observations concerning these qualifications.

What is the work of deacons?

3. Saints

Who are “saints”? Does this constitute an “office” within a local church?

What is the work of individual Christians?

What is the importance of each Christian’s contribution to the local church?

4. Evangelists

Does this constitute an “office” within a local church?

What qualifications must these individuals meet? List some observations concerning these qualifications.

What is the work of evangelists?