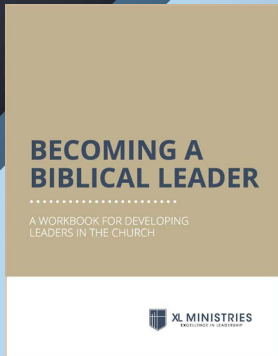


A Brief Introduction to XL's Leadership Training Materials

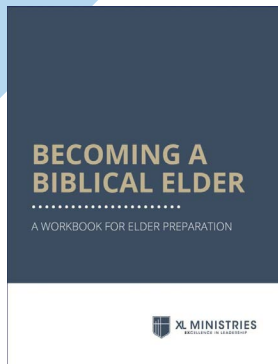
Prior to taking a hard copy of *Becoming a Biblical Leader* or *Becoming a Biblical Elder*, we request that you download a soft copy of both manuals from our website, free of charge. They are fillable documents. You can review them and determine if they will be helpful resources for your ministry. If they will be of benefit to you, as long as we have the resources available, we will gladly provide you the hard copies you need, free of charge.



BECOMING A BIBLICAL LEADER is a discipleship manual that is designed for men who want to grow in their understanding of the church, godly character, biblical knowledge and systematic theology, and personal disciplines.

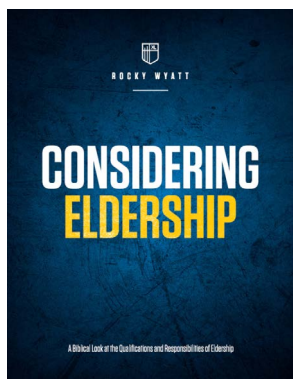
The systematic theology questions are followed by key verses that relate to the specific topic and a quote from a theologian regarding the topic. The information provided is sufficient for the student to answer the question without having to acquire other resources.

This manual reminds Christians that elder qualifications are, for the most part, Christian qualifications. It also helps Christians engage with their church's doctrinal statement. This study is beneficial for those who want to become better leaders in the home, in the community and at church. It is also a tool that can help identify men who have potential for becoming elders in the church.

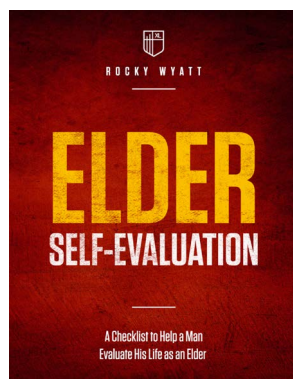


BECOMING A BIBLICAL ELDER is a discipleship manual that is designed for men whom the church wants to train to become elders. It is vital that the church has confidence that the elder candidate has the ability to teach before starting this course. This manual reminds men of the biblical qualifications for eldership. It also deals extensively with the elder's role and responsibility in the church. It has considerably more Bible knowledge and systematic theology than *Becoming a Biblical Leader*. It provides several quotes from theologians for every systematic theology question. It also encourages prospective elders to engage in the ministry of eldership while in training.

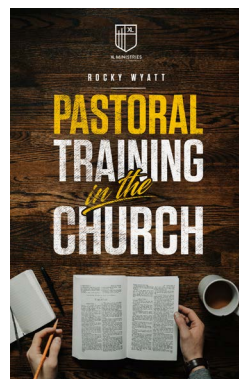
It is up to the church to determine how much Bible knowledge a disciple should memorize. For those who desire to become elders, they should learn enough systematic theology to at least be able to defend their church's doctrinal statement.



CONSIDERING ELDERSHIP | Often times individuals in the church have an interest in eldership but do not really understand the qualifications and/or the responsibilities. This resource is an interactive tool that helps a person understand the biblical instruction on eldership.



ELDER SELF-EVALUATION | Often times elders are careful to do a self-examination of their lives prior to becoming an elder. Once they become elders, they may neglect this duty. Paul reminds leaders that they must "pay attention to yourself and your teaching" (1 Tim. 4:16). This booklet is a tool for elders to evaluate their lives from time to time, always seeking to maintain a biblical testimony as an elder. It is a reminder of the qualifications, the responsibilities, and the dangers that are associated with eldership.



PASTORAL TRAINING IN THE CHURCH | This book reminds church leaders that it is their responsibility to train pastors. The Bible is very clear that faithful men are to teach faithful men in the context of church ministry (2 Tim. 2:2). Churches should take the primary responsibility for training pastors, using whatever resources will be most helpful for the man.

XL MINISTRIES INTERNSHIPS

XL Ministries has also designed internships for churches to implement. They range in length from 2-3 years and are offered for those who want to become either pastors or missionaries. They are designed differently based on whether a person is in seminary or not. They will include a substantial amount of biblical knowledge, systematic theology, and practical experience in the life of the church. These internships are under the authority of the local church. XL staff provides oversight and support for internships.

Churches that are interested in learning more about internships can contact us at xlministries.org. A representative from XL will work individually with churches to help them equip pastors and missionaries.