

Paul's ministry of encouragement

Acts 20:7-38

Jesus' example of shepherding sets the standard for church leadership today. Paul's instruction on tending to the flock is just as important today as it was to his first century audience.

I. Encouraging Church Plants (vv. 7-16).

II. Encouraging Church Leaders (vv. 17-24).

A. With personal testimony (vv. 18-27, 31b-35).

1. My history among you (vv. 18-21, 26, 31b-35).
2. My future ministry (vv. 22-25).

B. With practical admonition (vv. 28-31a, 36-38).

1. Practice _____ (vv. 28a, 31a).
2. Provide _____ (v. 28b).
3. Protect from _____ (vv. 29-30).
4. Pray _____ (vv. 32, 36-38).

What is your responsibility as pointed out by these verses?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.