## Hebrews 13:7 The Joy of Servant Leaders

A noble task ...

I. Exemplified by Christ A. The Head B. The Shepherd

II. Demanded of Leaders A. Officers B. Under-shepherds

III. Commanded of the People A. Congregation B. God's Precious Flock

... genuinely appreciated.

## Children, Listen ...

- 1. Who is the ruler over the whole Christian church?
- 2. Why is this ruler also called a Shepherd in the Bible?
- 3. What two groups of men has God called to lead the church?
- 4. Is it a good thing for young men to think about service the church that way?
- 5. How can we show appreciation to the elders and deacons of our church?

## Making it Work

Elders and Deacons have been given a high calling from God to be servantleaders in his church. Qualifications are spelled out and sufficient grace is afforded to men who seek the Lord's help to lead well. The church is blessed to have biblical principles for her authority structure and as well as God ordained offices to make sure the responsibilities of the body of Christ are carried out. This church is especially blessed to have men who are both called and willing to serve the Lord and the flock of Christ in a fashion that reflects the very character of Christ our Great Shepherd. Mutual respect, encouragement and prayer on the part of our officers and our people will help make it work to the glory of God and the good of souls. Let's strive to make service in our church a great joy for the men called to office and in return let us maintain an atmosphere in which the people of Covenant can have great joy in being led by sincere and enthusiastic men of God.