

Valley Bible Church – Sermon Notes

Sermon Notes for January 25-26, 1997

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"Responsible Living within the Church"

1 Thessalonians 5:12-22

RESPONSIBILITIES REGARDING leaders (1 Thessalonians 5:12,13)

Responsibilities of leaders to congregation

To labor (KOPIAO) - Means to work to the point of weariness (1 Thessalonians 2:7-9; Colossians 1:28,29)

To exercise authority (PROISTAMENOUS) Means to "stand before". Same word is used in 1 Timothy 3:4,5,12 and 1 Timothy 5:17.

"in the Lord" - Church leaders are themselves under the authority of Christ and must reflect that authority both in manner and purpose (Matthew 20:25-28)

To teach (NOUTHETEO) literally means to "admonish" (Titus 1:9).