

Who Is In Charge Here?

"For the husband is the head of the wife, as also Christ is the head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body." Ephesians 5:23 (New King James Version)

Haig's claim to be in _____ turned out to be _____.

Christ Is The Only Head Of The Church

A. Jesus presented as the head of the church:

1. Matthew 14:10,11 - _____'s body could not _____ once his _____ was _____ off.
 2. Matthew 21:42 - Jesus claimed to be the _____ (_____, KJV) cornerstone for the church.
 3. Ephesians 1:22,23 - _____ made Jesus to be head over _____ things to the _____, which is His _____.
 4. Ephesians 5:23,24 - The _____ is to be _____ to Christ, since He is the head of it.
 5. 3 John 9,10 - Diotrophes _____ to have the _____. But he had not rightful _____ to such _____.
- B. Matthew 23:8-12 - Though some wish to be called _____, _____ or _____, only one is Teacher, the _____.

Those Who Lead Christ's Church

A. 1 Peter :1-4 - In addressing _____, Peter refers to them as _____ and as _____. All three terms refer to the same office.

B. Other passages which speak about elders:

1. Acts 20:17,28 - Paul told the _____ from Ephesus to _____ the church over which they were _____.
 2. 1 Timothy 3:1-7; Titus 1:5-9 - Men were to be _____ to the office of _____ if they met the qualifications.
 3. Hebrews 13:17 - We are to _____ those who _____ over us, since they _____ out for our _____.
 4. 1 Timothy 5:19,20 - Elders are not _____. If found to be in _____, they should be _____ publicly.
- C. To be an elder is to have awesome _____. They deserve our _____ and our _____.

1 Samuel 17:34,35 - _____ are blessed to have _____ shepherds watching over them.

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