

Elders Q&A 1

Defending Doctrinal Distinctives

Question 1

Do you need to go to seminary to be a pastor? If not, why is that the expectation among many Western Christians today?

Question 2

If the Bible is inerrant, authoritative, and perspicuous, why are there so many doctrinal differences among Christian churches today? Why are there differences even among churches that affirm a literal hermeneutic?

Question 3

If only God's preached Word has power to save, what role do apologetic arguments and personal testimony play in evangelism?

Question 4

How should we interpret the Old Testament in a way that is relevant for New Testament Christians?

Question 5

Why do some who otherwise hold to God's total sovereignty in salvation object to Limited Atonement?

Question 6

Is there any reference to baptism in the Old Testament? Or does the concept of “baptism” truly appear out of nowhere in the New Testament with John the Baptist?

Question 7

Should children be baptized after a profession of faith? And should parents be afraid of the situation described in Hebrews 6:4-8 for children baptized too soon?

Question 8

How does a person know whether God is calling that person to serve as a pastor/elder?

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