

关于长老的圣经神学

Biblical Theology of Elders

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A. Elders in Israel
A. 以色列中的长老

Elders: Exodus 3:16 长老：出 3:16

Go and gather the elders of Israel together and say to them, ‘The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared to me, saying “I have observed you and what has been done to you in Egypt,

你去招聚以色列的长老，对他们说：『耶和华你们祖宗的神，就是亚伯拉罕的神，以撒的神，雅各的神，向我显现，说：我实在眷顾了你们，我也看见埃及人怎样待你们。

Elders: Exodus 12:21

长老：出 12:21

Then Moses called all the elders of Israel and said to them, “Go and select lambs for yourselves according to your clans, and kill the Passover lamb.

于是，摩西召了以色列的众长老来，对他们说：
「你们要按著家口取出羊羔，把这逾越节的羊羔宰了。」

Genesis 1:26: Creation

Background 创 1:26 : 创世的背景

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

神说：「我们要照著我们的形像、按著我们的样式造人，使他们管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟、地上的牲畜，和全地，并地上所爬的一切昆虫。」

Ruling Creation 管理受造物

GOD
神



Adam's rule
亚当的管理



elders' rule
长老的管理



B. Judges in Israel
B. 以色列中的士师

Exodus 18:21 出 18:21

Moreover, look for able men from all the people, men who fear God, who are trustworthy and hate a bribe, and place such men over the people as chiefs of thousands, of hundreds, of fifties, and of tens.

并要从百姓中拣选有才能的人，就是敬畏神、诚实无妄、恨不义之财的人，派他们作千夫长、百夫长、五十夫长、十夫长，管理百姓，

Exodus 18:22 出 18:22

And let them judge the people at all times. ...
叫他们随时审判百姓， ...。

Features of Ruling 管理的要点

- ◆ **Rule over the people of God** 管理神的子民
- ◆ **Decide disputes** 处理纠纷
- ◆ **Under Moses, under God**
在摩西之下，在神之下
- ◆ **Lessons** 功课
 - **for civil government** 民事管理
 - **and church government** 并治理教会

Rule of Christ 基督的管理

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 - **and church government** 民事管理 并治理教会
- ◆ **Christ over church** 基督管理教会
- ◆ **Church disputes** 教会纠纷
- ◆ **Under Christ** 在基督之下
- ◆ **Universal rule of Christ** 基督治理万有

C. Israelite King
C. 以色列的王

Deuteronomy 17:18 The King

申命记 17:18 王

“And when he sits on the throne of his kingdom he shall write for himself in a book a copy of this law approved by the Levitical priests.

他登了国位，就要将祭司利未人面前的这律法书，为自己抄录一本，

Deuteronomy 17:19 The King

申命记 17:19 王

And it shall be with him, and he shall read in it all the days of his life, that he may learn to fear the Lord his God by keeping all the words of this law and these statutes, and doing them,

存在他那里，要平生诵读，好学习敬畏耶和华他的神，谨守遵行这律法书上的一切言语和这些律例，

Deuteronomy 17:20 The King

申命记 17:20 王

that his heart may not be lifted up above his brothers, and that he may not turn aside from the commandment, either to the right hand or to the left, so that he may continue long in his kingdom, he and his children, in Israel.

免得他向弟兄心高气傲，偏左偏右，离了这诫命。这样，他和他的子孙便可在以色列中，在国位上年长日久。」

Features of King

王的要点

- ◆ **A brother to the people** 是百姓的弟兄
- ◆ **Wise—learning law** 智慧——学习律法
- ◆ **Just—keeping law** 公正——谨守遵行律法
- ◆ **Humble** 谦卑

D. Christ the King
D. 基督为王

Features of Christ the King

基督为王的要点

OT King

旧约中的王

- ◆ **A brother** 一位弟兄
- ◆ **Wise—learning law**
智慧——学习律法
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Christ the King

基督为王

- ◆ **Brother** 弟兄
- ◆ **Wise** 智慧
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- ◆ **Humble** 谦卑

Kingship Fulfilled in Christ

王的身份在基督身上达成或实现

Christ the King
基督为王

King under
Moses
摩西之下的王

elders 长老
(undershepherds)
(小牧者)



1 Peter 5:1: Undershepherds

彼得前书 5:1 : 长老

So I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed:

我这作长老、作基督受苦的见证、同享后来所要显现之荣耀的，劝你们中间与我同作长老的人：

1 Peter 5:2: Undershepherds

彼得前书 5:2 : 长老

shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly;

务要牧养在你们中间 神的群羊，按著 神旨意照管他们；不是出于勉强，乃是出于甘心；也不是因为贪财，乃是出于乐意；

1 Peter 5:4: Undershepherds 彼得前书 5:4 : 长老

And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

到了牧长显现的时候，你们必得那永不衰残的荣耀冠冕。



Christ-like Leader
有基督样式的带领人

E. The Church as a Family

E. 教会就如同一个家庭

1 Timothy 3:15: 提前 3:15 : The Family Principle 家庭原则

if I delay, you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, a pillar and buttress of the truth.

倘若我耽延日久，你也可以知道在 神的家中 当怎样行。这家就是永生 神的教会，真理的柱石和根基。

Features of the Family

家庭的要点

- ◆ **God as Father (Matt. 23:9)**
神是天父 (太 23:9)
- ◆ **Family relations (1 Tim. 5:1-2)**
家庭式的关系 (提前 5:1-2)
- ◆ **Elders as fatherly (1 Tim. 3:4-5; Tit. 1:6)**
长老如父 (提前 3:4-5 ; 多 1:6)

1 Timothy 3:4-5: 提前 3:4-5:

Elders as Family Men 长老如同家长

He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, 好好管理自己的家，使儿女凡事端庄顺服（或作：端端庄庄地使儿女顺服）。

for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church?

人若不知道管理自己的家，焉能照管 神的教会 呢？

1 Timothy 3:2: 提前 3:2 : Elders as Male 男人作长老

Therefore an overseer must be above reproach the husband of one wife sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable hospitable able to teach,
作监督的，必须无可指责，只作一个妇人的丈夫，有节制，自守，端正，乐意接待远人，善于教导；