

1 Timothy 3 • New Testament Organizations

1. (v.1-7) A biblical overseer is someone in authority who is watching, directing, and protecting the Master's interests. They are closer to a pastor than a business leader.
2. (v.8-13) A biblical deacon is specifically tasked in order to allow overseers to concentrate on their primary calling to preach the Word.
3. (v.14-16) The offices specified have roles in line with familial duties within the church as "*the household of God*" and for establishing the church in the world as "*the pillar and support of the truth*". They are supposed to produce biblical godliness in both our relationships with each other within the body of Christ proper and as a testimony of Christ to the world at large.