

## Scriptures and Doctrine :: Biblical Church Structure Question (Needing Resources)

### Biblical Church Structure Question (Needing Resources) - posted by havok20x, on: 2021/1/25 9:38

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Are there any resources that can help clarify this for me?

Any resources on biblical church structure, etc would be excellent. The free-er the better lol, but I am not opposed to purchasing some books.

### Re: Biblical Church Structure Question (Needing Resources) - posted by docs (), on: 2021/1/25 12:42

Maybe Derek Prince's book titled "Rediscovering the Church." In this work, he discusses local church issues and its pattern of structure taken from the New Testament. He covers the role of pastors and elders. He was no rookie when it came to researching the Scriptures. God bless you in your efforts.

### Re: - posted by dolfan (), on: 2021/1/25 14:35

Check out NTRF dot org.

Read all you see there.

Also consider the primary book they offer for \$10. I have it from about 7 years ago.

### Re: Biblical Church Structure Question (Needing Resources) - posted by brothagary, on: 2021/1/25 15:37

pauls letters are just fine brother !

### Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2021/1/25 18:44

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Dear brother,

You definitely are seeing something that is Scriptural. Many denominations follow a pattern of more roles than seen clearly in the New Testament. this site is a good resource on the basics of eldership it seems: <https://www.biblicaleldership.com>

in the video here he says there is a free pdf booklet to get: <https://www.biblicaleldership.com/what-is-be/>

**Re: Biblical Church Structure Question (Needing Resources) - posted by Kerygma1975 (), on: 2021/1/26 14:48**

Havok20x,

Here is an article, hope it helps. As with many things, understanding the background of where certain names originated from helps, but to the core of your concern, Piper takes this on.

<https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/what-is-the-role-of-an-elder>

**Re: - posted by havok20x, on: 2021/1/26 15:21**

Thank y'all and the Lord bless y'all! I will be checking out these resources soon!