

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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- 1) Begin your time by briefly praying and asking the Holy Spirit to help you as you discuss and study.
- 2) Read Acts 20:28-35 together (though we're mainly focusing on verses 28-32).
- 3) What stuck out to you as you read? Was there anything that you didn't understand? Discuss.

NOTE: Though these instructions from Paul were directed towards pastors / elders, there is a lot that all of us can learn from this passage.

- 4) What do you think it means to "pay careful attention to yourself" in this passage? How can we do this?
- 5) This passage says the Jesus "obtained the church with his own blood." What does this mean? What are some passages of Scripture that talk about this blood purchase? Why is this sort of blood-sacrifice-language controversial in many circles today?
- 6) In verses 29-30, Paul says that after his departure "fierce wolves" will come into the church and do damage. How do you see wolves at work in the church today? In what ways are you most susceptible to being hurt by a wolf or being led away from Jesus?
- 7) How can we be alert for ourselves and others? How do we need to do better in this regard?
- 8) End your time in prayer. Ask the Holy Spirit to help apply to your life what you've been learning and discussing.