Argyle Study Guide, Peter part 11, 07-21-2024

Read 1 Peter 5:1-4

1. The founder and president of the university Donna and I attended, Dr. Lee Roberson, had a quote that he repeated over and over. "Everything rises or falls with leadership". Do you agree? Why or why not?

2. The New Testament churches were organized under the leadership of elders. Do you know who the elders are at The Church at Argyle?

3. In the New Testament, an elder is a person who leads and teaches a local group of Christians. The Greek word "episkapos" is translated episcopal, elder, bishop, overseer and pastor. Those words all refer to the same office and are synonyms. How would you describe the duties of an elder in your own words?

4. How would you describe the general condition of the church today?

- 5. What do you think has contributed most to the present condition of the church?
- 6. What qualities do you think help a pastor be successful?
- 7. Why did Peter use the image of sheep to describe God's people?

8. How can you support your pastor in specific, practical ways?