# THE DEDICATION OF THE DEACON 1<sup>st</sup> Timothy 3:8-13

## I. THE DEACON'S CHARACTER (v. 8)

- A. His Temperament—reverent
- B. His Tongue —not double-tongued
- C. His Temptations—not given to much wine not greedy for money

### II. THE DEACON'S CONVICTIONS (v. 9)

- A. Believes the Bible—holding the mystery of the faith
- B. Behaves the Bible—with a pure conscience

## III. THE DEACON'S CONSISTENCY (v. 10)

- A. First Tested—first be tested
- B. Then Enlisted—then let them serve

### IV. THE DEACON'S COMPANION (v. 11)

- A. Respectful
- B. Reserved—not slanderers, temperate
- C. Reliable—faithful in all things

#### V. THE DEACON'S CONTROL (v. 12)

- A. Leads His Life Well—one wife
- B. Leads His Loved Ones Well—ruling their children and their own houses well

## VI. THE DEACON'S COMMENDATION (v. 13)

- A. The Condition for Commendation—served well
- B. The Content of Commendation—good standing...great boldness