



# Built on the Rock: The Healthy Congregation A Webinar Bible Study Handout for Lesson 5



*Use this handout to prepare for discussion questions. You'll answer them in the chat box, in small group breakout rooms, or in a poll.*

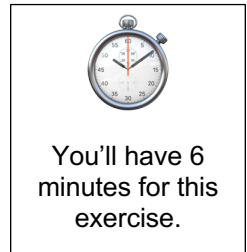
## Homework Assignment from last Week

*Be prepared to discuss these questions in a small group breakout room:*

Briefly introduce yourself (name and location).

*Having read chapter 13 from Built on the Rock:*

1. What two or three ideas from the book would help increase biblical literacy in your congregation?
2. After reading Case study on page 244, "Letting Go of Control," reflect on these questions:
  - a. When have I been tempted to push others to meet my expectations?
  - b. When has God shown me how He is working when I least expected it?



*In your chat box:*

Share one of the ideas you think would help increase biblical literacy in your church.

## A Hybrid: Three-Board Model

*Let's take a poll...*

How many lay leadership boards does your church presently have?

1. One board
2. Two to three boards
3. Four to six boards
4. Seven or more boards

*Let's take a poll...*

How many times a year does your congregation normally meet for voting?

1. Once a year
2. Two times a year
3. Three to six times a year
4. More than six times a year

## Minimizing Conflict and Coordinating Work

Discuss these questions in your breakout room:

1. What would be some of the advantages of the hybrid three-board model (two boards if no school ministry)?
2. What would be some challenges to this model?



You'll have 6 minutes for this exercise.

Chat box questions:

Can you name a large organization that has three different governing branches?

What are the benefits of having three governing branches?

## Assignment for tomorrow and beyond...

Always [be] prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.

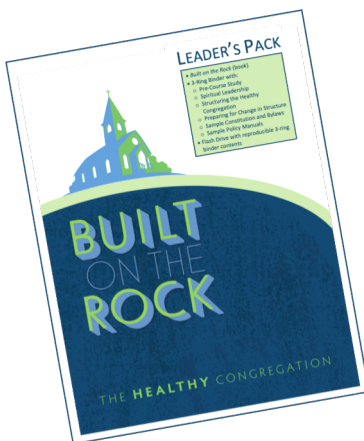
1 Peter 3:15 ESV

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