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**Elder Roles**

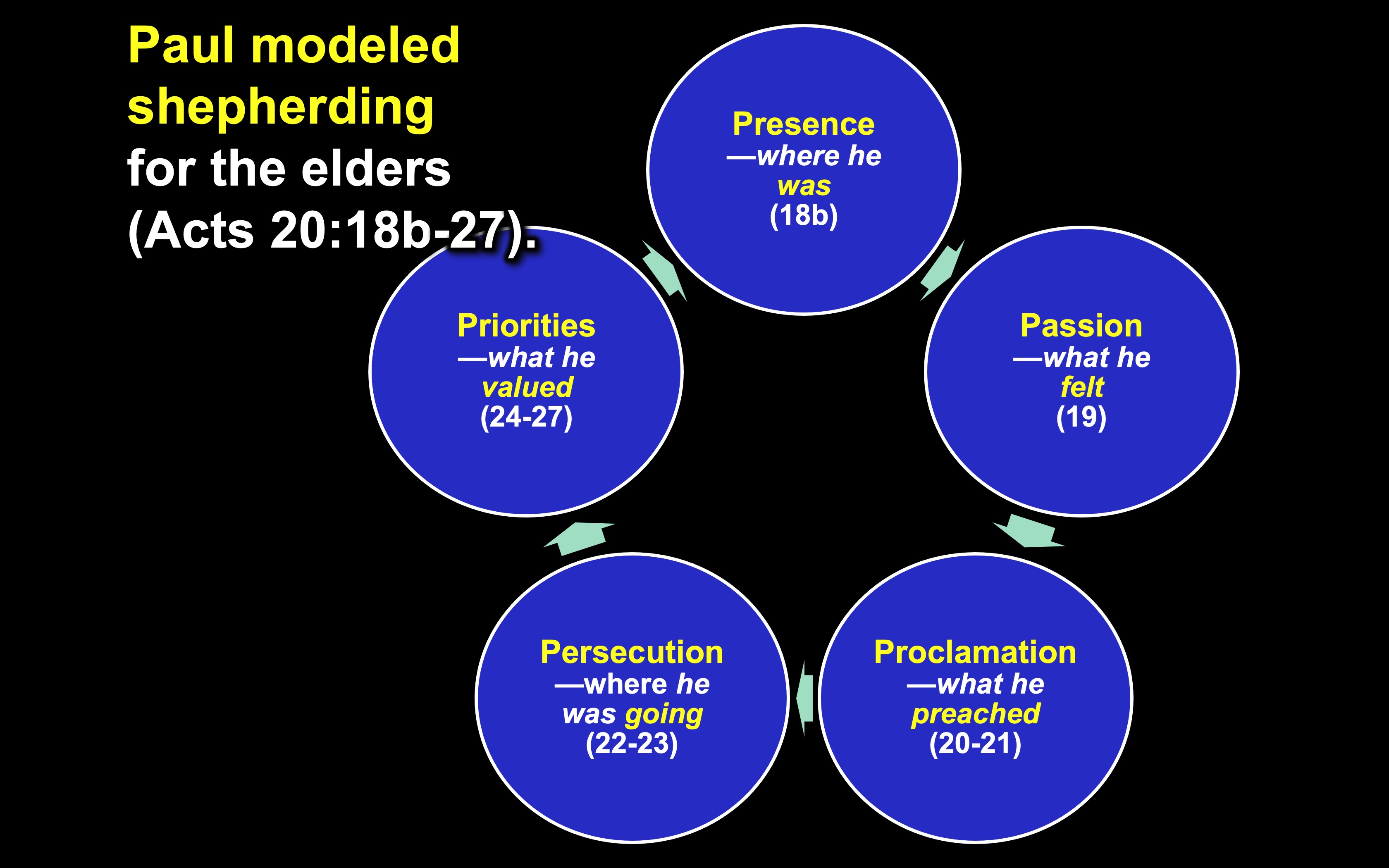
***Acts 20***

# Introduction

### What’s an elder to do?

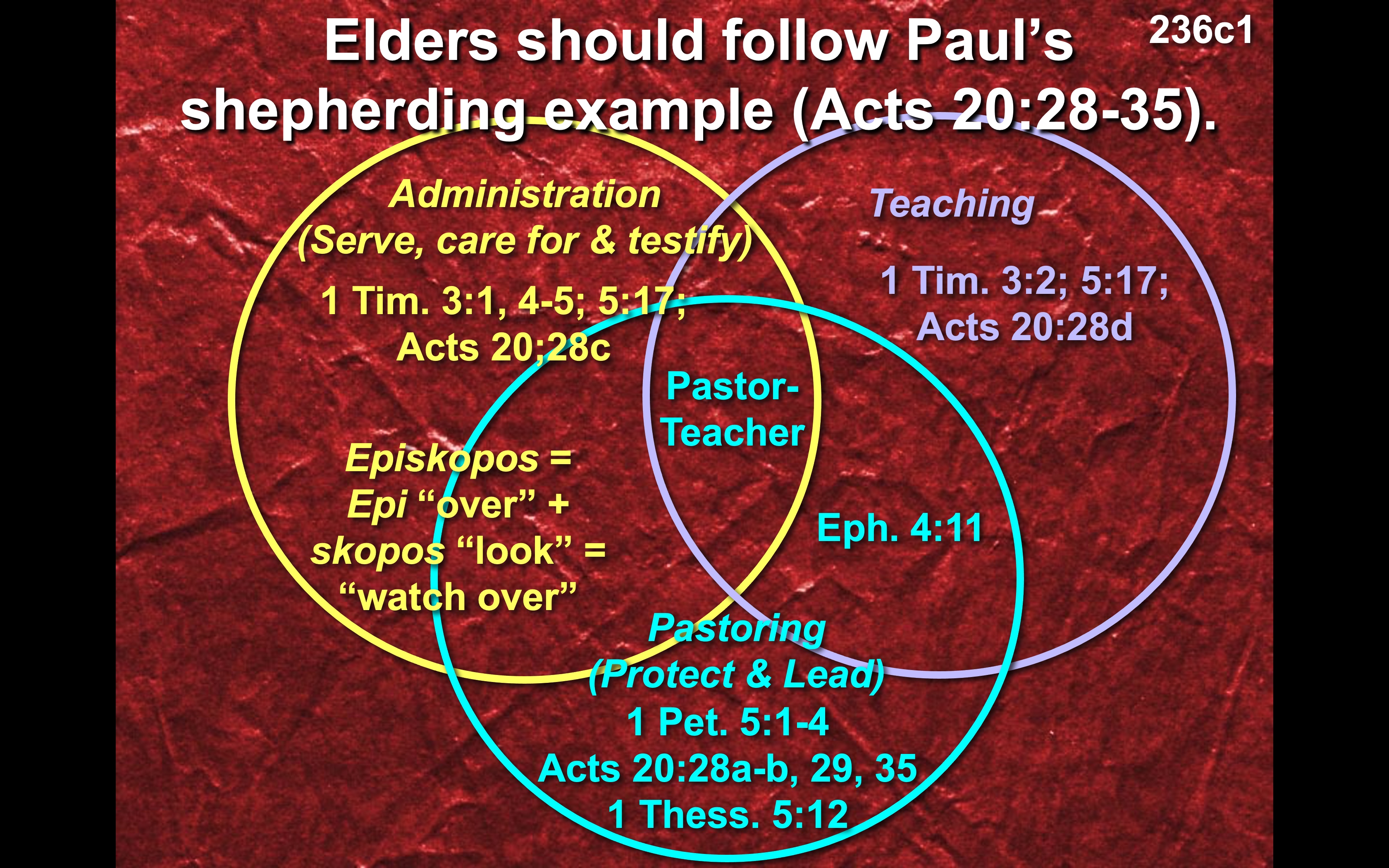
### Paul modeled the elder lifestyle before he preached it to others.

# I. Paul modeled shepherding for the elders (20:18b-27).



# II. Elders should follow Paul’s shepherding example (20:28-35).

## Elders have shepherding tasks to lead the church (28).



## These tasks will protect the church from false teachers (29-31).

### External false teachers will destroy some believers (29).

### Internal false teachers will draw some away from Christ (30-31).

## Elders must serve selflessly (32-35).

### Selfless service is founded on God’s grace and Word (32).

### Selfless service is based on hard work instead of greed (33-35).

# Conclusion

### Elders should be selfless shepherds against false teachers (Main Idea).

### Watch Paul and mimic Paul!

### How can you better shepherd the flock under your care—whether the whole church as elders, or our families, or friends?

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