

# The Foundation of Biblical Eldership

Numbers 11:1-30

Commissioning of Our Elders

- I. The Lexical Definition of an Elder
  - zaqan beard
  - zagen elder
- II. The Seventy Elders of Israel
  - A. Jethro's Solution
  - B. God's Solution
    - 1. The Choosing of the Elders
      - a. Not Based in Human Capacity
      - b. Based in Divine Enablement
    - 2. The Functioning of the Elders
      - a. Possess a Similar Gift
      - b. Bear a Similar Burden
    - 3. The Empowering of the Elders
      - a. The Empowerment
      - b. The Witness
      - c. The Lesson
      - d. The Implications