

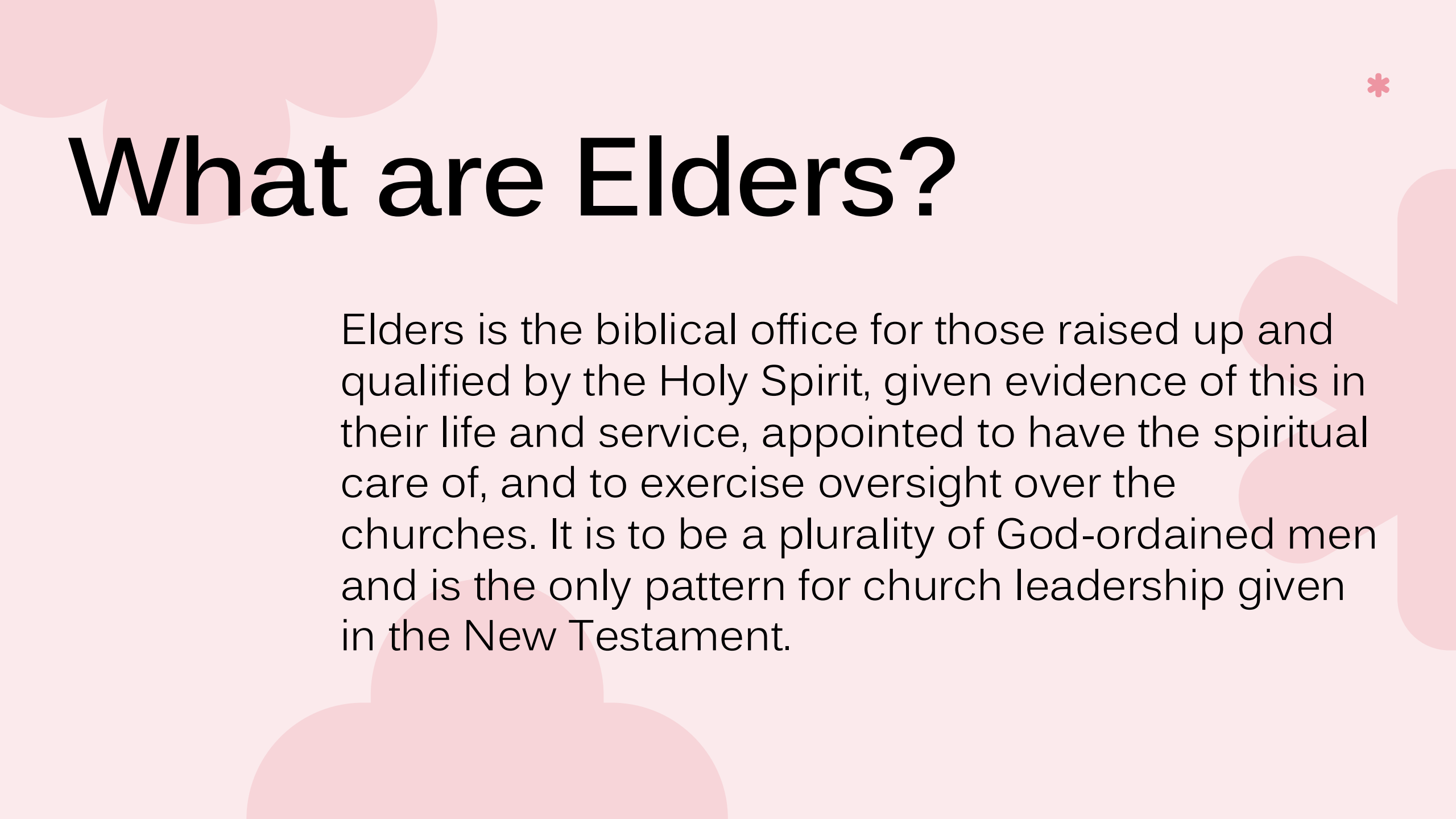


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Setting the House in Order

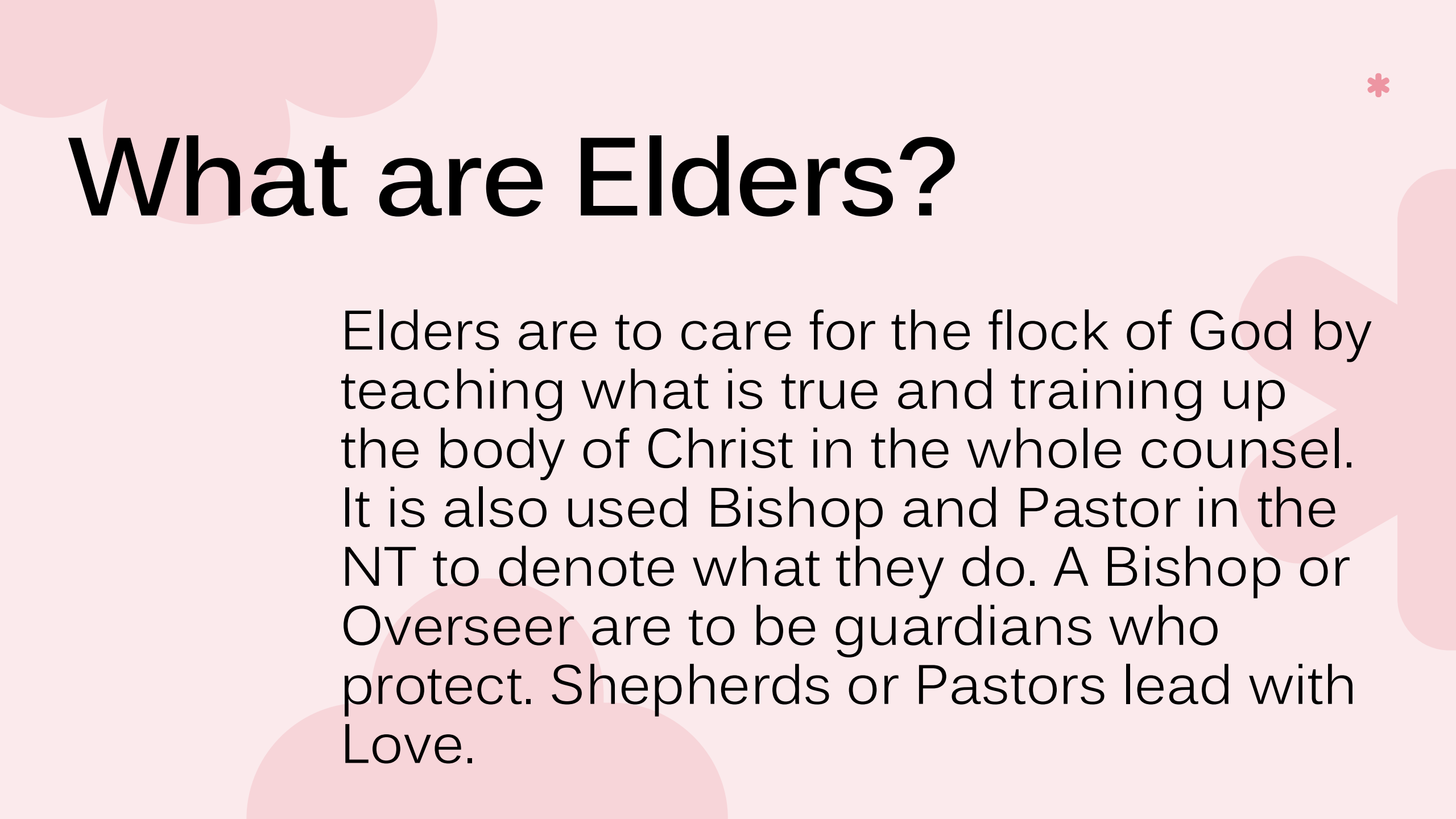
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Titus 1:16 – The Role of Godly Elders

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What are Elders?

Elders is the biblical office for those raised up and qualified by the Holy Spirit, given evidence of this in their life and service, appointed to have the spiritual care of, and to exercise oversight over the churches. It is to be a plurality of God-ordained men and is the only pattern for church leadership given in the New Testament.

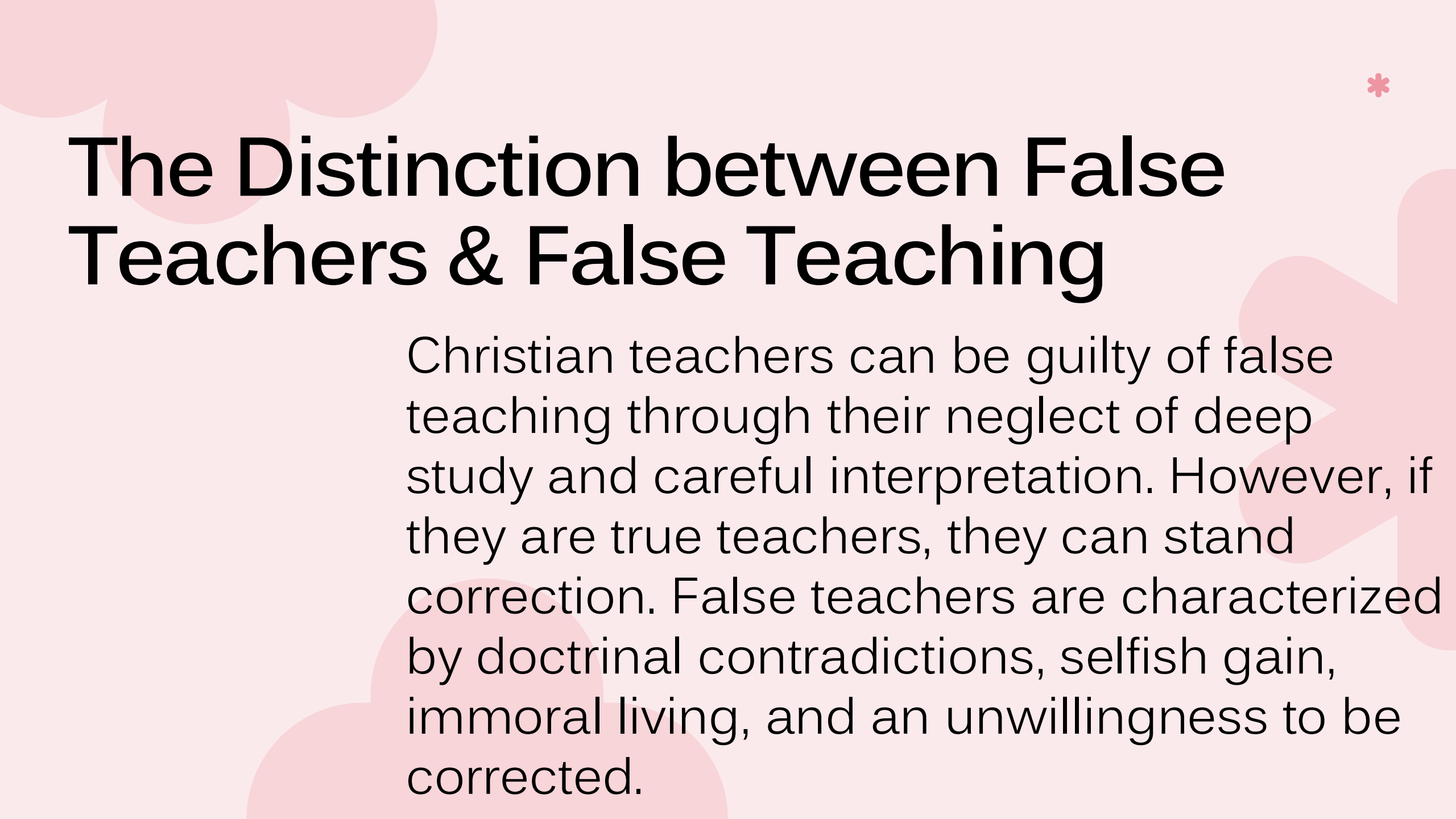
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What are Elders?

Elders are to care for the flock of God by teaching what is true and training up the body of Christ in the whole counsel. It is also used Bishop and Pastor in the NT to denote what they do. A Bishop or Overseer are to be guardians who protect. Shepherds or Pastors lead with Love.

Roles of Elders

1. Teach and Preach (I Tim. 5:17)
2. Determine Policy (Acts 15:22)
3. Prioritize Prayer and the Word (Acts 6:4)
4. Lead by Example (Hebrews 13:7)
5. Be prayer partners (James 5:14)
6. Preside over the church (I Thess. 5:12)
7. **Feed and Protect the Flock** (Acts 20:28)



The Distinction between False Teachers & False Teaching

Christian teachers can be guilty of false teaching through their neglect of deep study and careful interpretation. However, if they are true teachers, they can stand correction. False teachers are characterized by doctrinal contradictions, selfish gain, immoral living, and an unwillingness to be corrected.

The Profile of False Teachers

1. Their Conduct – vs. 10
2. Their Contamination – vs. 11
3. Their Construct – vs. 12-13
4. Their Content – vs. 14b
5. Their Confession – vs. 16a
6. Their Condemnation – vs. 16b



thank you

**Next Week's Lesson:
The Practice of Godly Elders**

