QUALIFICATIONS OF ELDERS. WEDNESDAY NIGHT, DEC. 6, 1961 1 Tim. 3:3-7) LESSON NUMBER TWO Ozona, Texas 9. NOT GIVEN TO WINE 1. Not one attached to wine, a wine-bibber, or tippler. 2. Not one imperious, abusive, insolent, whether through wine or otherwise. 10. NO STRIKER 1. Not quarrelsome, not ready to strike a person. 2. He must not be a persecutor of those who may differ with him. 11. NO GREEDY OF FILTHY LUCRE 1. See number 14...Covetous 12. BUT PATIENT 1. He must be a meek, gentle person 2. One that does not insist on HIS RIGHT everytime, but is ready to give it up. 3 John 9 13. NOT A BRAWLER - not doon angry: Litur 1:7 1. Not contentious, litigious, but quiet and peaceable.

- 14. NOT COVETOUS 1. Not a lover of money or riches.
  - 2. Not one who will stick at nothing in order to get money. 3. Not one to whom fair and foul methods are alike so
  - long as they are productive.
- 15. ONE THAT RULETH WELL HIS OWN HOUSE Liter 1:6 1. Not only rules it ... but rules it well. 2. One who has command of his own house. Not by: Sternness, severity and tyranny, but with gravity ... FOR LEVITY UNDERMINES ALL AUTHORITY. Elis Down. 1 Dam. 2:12,22
- Donwelly Dans. 100m. 8:5 16. NOT A NOVICE - on probation, a beginner 1. Not one newly engrafted, or hewly baptized into Christ.
- 2. A new convert would at best be imperfectly instructed and, therefore, not able to teach others. 3. QUESTION: How long in the church before he ceases to
- be a mavice? See Acts 14:21-23 17. He MUST HAVE A GOOD REPORT FROM THEM THAT ARE WITHOUT I. He must have led a good moral life before conversion 2. He must have a good report after his conversion and while he serves as elder. GOOD REPUTATION: The good that any elder, or church, any member of the church,

much upon reputation.

may accomplish in any community will depend very

