



“FUNdamentals”
Basic messages,
Elemental teachings

Hebrews 6:1-3

The list:

- Different baptisms / washings
- Laying on of hands
- Resurrection of the dead
- Eternal judgment

Why the laying on of hands?

Since the dawn of time, Genesis onward...

- **Natural.** Logical. Hard-wired behavior. Just makes sense it has to exist
- **Spiritual**
 - Transmit God's power and authority
 - Continuity:
 - Ministers in the body of Christ
 - Pass generation to generation
- **Transmit specifically**
 - Blessings
 - Authority
 - Wisdom
 - Spiritual gifts
 - Ministry

Specifics

1. **Commission.** Launch a person into service to the body of Christ. Confers in the natural that which Jesus appointed. Not voted upon
2. **Set apart.** Consecrate someone for a specific mission or task
3. **Endorse.** Confer God's authority and give our authority
4. **Equip.** Transmit spiritual gifts or spiritual authority or whatever else is needed by the person to carry out his God-appointed task or mission

Do's

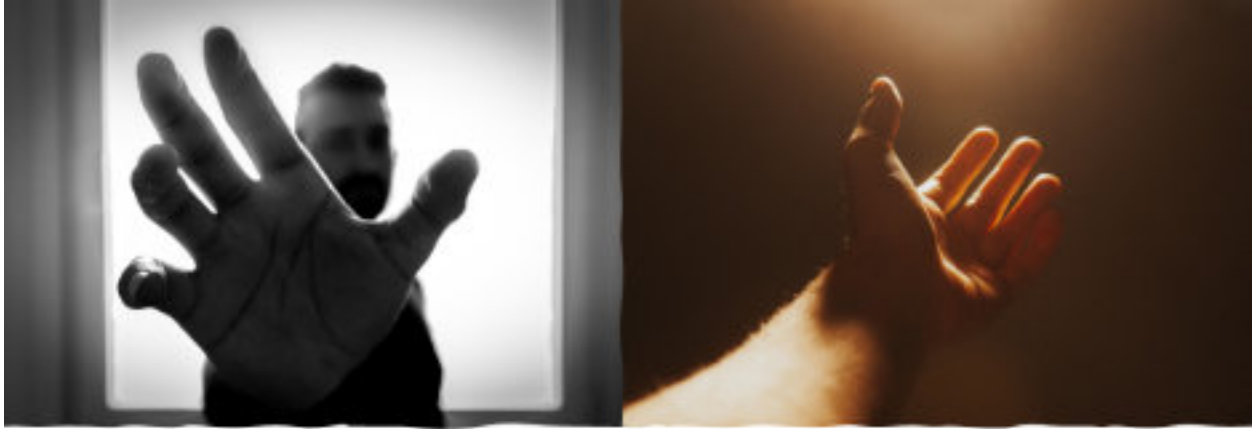
2nd Timothy 1:6

- **Leaders:** Recognize Jesus's appointments and His timing
Resource and release
- **Everyone:**
 - Enter the scene humbly yet expectantly. Jesus is already there. Pray
 - Learn and follow biblical protocols for when laying on of hands is appropriate
 - Respect and practice sanitation: Hands, breath and spiritual
 - Lay hands on others as Holy Spirit, and only Holy Spirit, directs
 - Respect the other person's comfort. ASK for permission
 - For minors, be sure you have parental permission to touch their child
 - Respect genders. Stay within your own unless extraordinary situation
 - For anything other than specific healings, hands shoulders and up only
 - Know how to stay under the protection of the blood of Jesus

Don'ts

1st Timothy 5:22

- **Leaders:** Do not decide who to appoint. Decide who Jesus decided to appoint.
Do not endorse someone whose character or maturity is inadequately formed
- **Everyone:**
 - When in doubt, do not lay hands
 - If you feel something is off or "not right" in the Spirit, do not lay hands
 - Do not lay hands for reasons or purposes beyond scriptural constraints
 - Do not lay hands spiritually near-sighted. Beware spiritual contamination
 - Do not venture beyond the limits of your own spiritual maturity
 - Do not venture outside the protection of the blood of Jesus



Ready, Set, GO!
Boldly, humbly, as a follower