Pillars in the House of God

Revelations 3: 12  "He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. And I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name."

I. Pillars Defined:

Galatians 2:9

The Message  “Recognizing that my calling had been given by God, James, Peter, and John—the pillars of the church—shook hands with me and Barnabas, assigning us to a ministry to the non-Jews, while they continued to be responsible for reaching out to the Jews.”

1890 Darby  “and recognising the grace given to me, James and Cephas and John, who were conspicuous as being pillars, gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship, that we should go to the nations, and they to the circumcision;”

II. What are the Pillars in our church:

- Elders/Deacons  1Timothy 3:1  This is a faithful saying: If a man desires the position of a bishop, he desires a good work.
- Leadership
- Membership  1 Corinthians 12:27 (KJS)  Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.
- Helps  1 Corinthians 12:28  And God has appointed these in the church: ... helps ...
- Teaching/Discipleship  2 Timothy 2:2  And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.
- Faith for Building
- Worshippers/Prayer warriors
- Calling  1 Samuel 10:26  And Saul also went home to Gibeah; and valiant men went with him, whose hearts God had touched.

1 Corinthians 12:18  But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased.

III. Characteristics of a pillar:

- Faithful  1 Corinthians 4:2  Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.
- Loyal  1 Chronicles 12:38  All these men of war, who could keep ranks, came to Hebron with a loyal heart, to make David king over all Israel; and all the rest of Israel were of one mind to make David king.
- Persevering (The Pit Bulls in the body of Christ who refuse to quit)
- Instant in season and out of season (When they feel like it and when they don’t)
- People of their word
- Permanent, unmovable, planted  1 Corinthians 15:58  Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.
- Solid
- Dependable
- Supporting
- Not easily moved with every wind of doctrine
- Not easily offended

Psalm 101:6  My eyes shall be on the faithful of the land, That they may dwell with me; He who walks in a perfect way, He shall serve me.

Proverbs 28:20  A faithful man will abound with blessings,