

WHY YOU NEED A PASTOR

Jesus.
servant of this gospel by
grace given me through
his power. ⁸Although I am
east of all God's people,
given me: to preach to the
unsearchable riches of
make plain to everyone
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s kept hidden in God, who
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⁷But each one of us grace has been
given as Christ apportioned it. ⁸This is
why it^a says:
"When he ascended on high,
he led captives in his train
and gave gifts to men."^c
⁹(What does "he ascended" mean except
that he also descended to the lower,
earthly regions?^d ¹⁰He who descended is
the very one who ascended higher than all
the heavens, in order to fill the whole uni-
verse.) ¹¹It was he who gave some to be
apostles, some to be prophets, some to be
evangelists, and some to be pastors and
teachers, ¹²to prepare God's people for
works of service, so that the body of
Christ may be built up ¹³until we all reach
unity in the faith and in the knowledge of
the Son of God and become mature, at-
taining to the whole measure of the full-
ness of Christ.
¹⁴Then we will no longer be infants,
sussed back and forth by the waves, and
blown here and there by every wind of

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YOU NEED A PASTOR BECAUSE, YOU NEED TO BE NEEDED

Part 3

Luke 5:1-11 – One day as Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret, the people were crowding around him and listening to the word of God. ² He saw at the water's edge two boats, left there by the fishermen, who were washing their nets. ³ He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little from shore. Then he sat down and taught the people from the boat.

⁴ When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch."

⁵ Simon answered, "Master, we've worked hard all night and haven't caught anything. But because you say so, I will let down the nets."

⁶ When they had done so, they caught such a large number of fish that their nets began to break. ⁷ So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them, and they came and filled both boats so full that they began to sink.

⁸ When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!" ⁹ For he and all his companions were astonished at the catch of fish they had taken, ¹⁰ and so were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Simon's partners.

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people."

¹¹ So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

1st

As Your Pastor, I'll Bring You with Me on THE JOURNEY!

Philippians 2:25-27 – But I think it is necessary to send back to you Epaphroditus, my brother, co-worker and fellow soldier, who is also your messenger, whom you sent to take care of my needs. ²⁶ For he longs for all of you and is distressed because you heard he was ill. ²⁷ Indeed he was ill, and almost died. But God had mercy on him, and not on him only but also on me, to spare me sorrow upon sorrow.

2nd

You Need to be NEEDED, and I Promise that as YOUR PASTOR, to not be a CRYBABY or a DOOMSDAY PREACHER!

Luke 4:17-21 – He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is on me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to set the oppressed free,
¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. ²¹ He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

3rd

Because I Believe We All Need to be Needed — I'll Ask You to TAKE RESPONSIBILITY, but I won't DUMP on You!

Matthew 11:28-30 – "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

1 Corinthians 10:13 – No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.