

Study Guide

MIN441

Shepherding God's Flock

- 1) How did the local church and the ministry of the pastor have a challenge from the Charismatic Renewal of the late 60s and early 70s?
- 2) Give three descriptions from the Bible that speak of Jesus being a "shepherd."
- 3) What is the distinction between being a true shepherd and a hirely?
- 4) What is meant by an "under-shepherd?"
- 5) Describe the relationship between bishop, elder, and pastor?
- 6) The word "bishop" emphasizes the responsibility of _____.
- 7) The word "bishop" comes from the Greek, *episkopos*, which means _____.
- 8) Give four functions or characteristics of elders in 1 Peter 5:1-4.
- 9) Even though a pastor should not fulfill his calling for money, the scripture speaks of compensation to a minister of the gospel. Give two examples of such scriptures (don't list a scriptural reference; give a brief discussion of those scriptures).
- 10) There are five distinct terms that refer to the pastoral office. Name four of them.
- 11) How is pastoring different from just being a "preacher?"
- 12) In what way are the terms elder, bishop, and shepherd synonymous in 1 Peter 5:1-2?
- 13) Identify four personal characteristics of a pastor?
- 14) The ultimate purpose of mankind is to _____.
- 15) What is the *primary* objective of shepherding?
- 16) In order to understand one's role as a minister, one needs to understand the role of the church. Why does the church exist, or what is its ultimate purpose.
- 17) What was reason for the downfall of Rehoboam that led to the dividing of the nation of Israel?
- 18) Give three characteristics of a servant.
- 19) Give a brief explanation of the shepherd, the sheepfold, and the sheep in John chapter 10 in light of its historical context.
- 20) What is the meaning of *koinonia*?
- 21) Identify three basic needs of human beings.
- 22) What is meant by a *disquieted soul*?
- 23) As a general rule, how were shepherds viewed in most cultures?
- 24) Every pastor has resources available to him that are present in the church. Name 3 such resources.
- 25) In 2 Timothy, Paul uses seven different metaphors to describe the rigors of leadership. Name three of them.
- 26) Name three ways a pastor can cultivate the field that God has placed him in.

- 27) Name three personal characteristics of a successful pastor.
- 28) Why is it important for a pastor to develop a leadership team?
- 29) History will not judge your leadership according to what you know or even what you have accomplished. Your legacy will be determined by _____.
- 30) We studied several integrity-building action points in class. One was: "Determine to never do anything privately that wouldn't pass public scrutiny." Name two others.
- 31) Identify three actions that can be taken to ensure institutional integrity.
- 32) Our authority comes from the power that flows from _____.
- 33) What is meant by a "win-win situation?"
- 34) What is the importance of giving accolades to those who accomplish something for the sake of the team?
- 35) We studied six essential skills for developing your dream team in ministry. One was: "Learn the art of delegation." Identify two others.
- 36) What is meant by the "dominant anointing?"
- 37) There is an apostolic mandate for senior pastors to move into an apostolic functioning of a pastor. Name three reasons pastors are reluctant to make such a change?
- 38) There are many differences between pastoral concepts today and the New Testament apostolic functions. One is: "Pastors are centered on needs rather than God's call and purposes." Name two more.
- 39) Identify three apostolic concepts of pastoring.
- 40) What is meant by "the senior pastor should have prophetic ability to witness the grace of God?"
- 41) Why is this ability to witness the grace of God important?
- 42) What is meant by "the senior pastor should exercise the ministry of exhortation and encouragement?"
- 43) One of the senior pastor's greatest assets is to provide _____ to stabilize the emotions of his flock and add value to their soul.
- 44) A senior pastor should nurture a yieldedness in the hearts of people toward God. What is one of the best ways to keep the hearts of the people tender toward the Lord?
- 45) What is meant by *the manifested presence of God*?
- 46) What role did Barnabus play in Paul's early Christian life and ministry?
- 47) What is meant by *the revealed Word*?
- 48) Name two practical aspects of pioneering areas that can reduce our suffering in the ministry.
- 49) The pioneering pastor must be a resource manager. There are three major areas of resources that need to be managed in any church. Name them.
- 50) It is important for a pioneering pastor to have a mentor. Name three important reasons.