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PASTOR:

A Pastor is a Leader, Prophet, Preacher, Messenger of God and teacher. The word Pastor comes from a Latin word which means “shepherd.” The New Testament presents two offices that constitute church leadership—elder/overseer and deacon.

Ephesians 4:11 - 13, Hebrews 13:17, Malachi 2:7, 2 Chronicles 20:20, 2 Timothy 2:15, 1 Timothy 5:17, 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13.

DEACON:

A Deacon is a minister of the church that assists the Pastor and in the Church affairs to establish order in the ministry and finances. In the New Testament, the word Deacon is usually translated "serve" is the Greek word diakoneo, which literally means "through the dirt." It refers to an attendant, a waiter, or one who ministers to another. From this word we get the English word “deacon.” We first see the word "deacon" used this way in the book of Acts. **Ephesians 4:11 - 13, Acts 6:1-7, 2 Timothy 4:2, 1 Timothy 3:8-13.**

MINISTER:

A minister is, literally, a “servant,” who serves people in whatever capacity is needed in and outside the church. Basically being all things to all men to save souls. A person who leads worship services, administrates a church, or conducts weddings and funerals is considered a Christian minister. **Ephesians 4:11 – 13, 2 Timothy 2:15, 1 Corinthians 9:19-23, Romans 15:16, Philippians 4:13.**

USHER:

A church usher is a person who helps ensure a smoothly running church service and who ministers to people in a variety of practical ways. The specific responsibilities of an usher vary with the church, but his duties usually include greeting people as they arrive for the service, assisting people with special needs, and collecting the offering.

Ephesians 4:11 – 13, Colossians 3:24, Psalm 84:10, Romans 12:13, 1 Corinthians 15:58, Ephesians 6:7-8, Mark 16:15 – 17.

EVANGELIST:

An evangelist is someone who proclaims Gospel (good news) of Jesus and salvation in other words, a preacher of the gospel who shares the faith to bring people to God, as the Holy Bible states that when we do the work of an evangelist we fulfil our ministry, therefore we are called to be an evangelist and evangelise, he who wins souls in wise!

Ephesians 4:11 – 13, 2 Timothy 4:5, Matthew 28:16–20, Proverbs 11:30, Luke 19:10, John 3:16, 2 Peter 3:9, Romans 10:14, Matthew 6:33.



PROPHET/PROPHETESS:

A prophet in the Bible is a person who proclaims God's Word and therefore speaks for God—a spokesman for God. A prophetess is a female prophet. The word prophet comes from the Greek word prophetes, which means “spokesman.” “One who speaks forth” or “advocate.” Prophets are also called “seers,” because of their spiritual insight or their ability to “see” the future. A prophet or prophetess was, therefore, a spokeswoman for God. The faithful prophet or prophetess was one who, regardless of whether or not he or she was listened to, spoke everything God said to speak. In a general sense, a prophet is a person who speaks God's truth to others. There are several prophets and prophetesses mentioned in the Holy Bible. In theology and Holy Bible studies we learn The Four Major Prophets: Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, and Daniel. The Twelve Minor Prophets: Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi. This included Abraham, Moses, Jacob, Joseph, many more and our ultimate Prophet Jesus/Yeshua. **Ephesians 4:11 – 13, Ephesians 2:20, 2 Timothy 3:15-16, Deuteronomy 34:10, Matthew 7:15, 1 John 4:1, 2 Chronicles 18:13, 1 Samuel 3:4, 1 Samuel 3:19, Mark 6:4, Chronicles 20:20.**

WORSHIP LEADER:

A worship leader is a minister of God-Centred worship to lead the church in worshipping God in Spirit and Truth. The purpose of worship is not to produce an emotional experience, but to acknowledge God's singular worthiness to be worshiped. So the first duty and responsibility of those who desire to lead others in worship must be to first understand the nature of worship itself. Worship focuses on God's Holiness and Worshipping Him for who God is. Worship is so powerful when done right it can cause healing, salvation and deliverance. King David helped drive out evil spirit when they tormented King Saul - **1 Samuel 16:14–23, Ephesians 4:11 – 13, Isaiah 25:1, Isaiah 25:1, Exodus 23:25, Psalm 33:1-3, Psalm 47:7, Psalm 71:8, Psalm 100, Psalm 150, Acts 16:25, John 4:22-24.**

ORDINATION/APPOINTING MINISTERS:

ORDAIN means to establish (form, launch create, begin, start) and confer holy orders, priestly authority, decree and appoint.

The first ordination was ADAM, God said to him BE, Fruitful, multiply, have dominion in other words represent God and GLORIFY HIM. Ordination/Appointing is an impartation to convey authority, or power, by the laying on of hands. One in authority must ordain the person by the laying on of hands and anointing oil. Ordination is an invitation and a calling, in Christian churches it is a rite for the dedication and commissioning of ministers to declare and recognise the gift and calling of God publically by stirring up the gift, announcing to affirm the person into the office, role and function of their calling.

Romans 1:11-12, Hebrew 10:24, Luke 9: 1, Luke 10:1-11, Mark 3:14, 1Peter 2:9, Exodus 28:1-3, Exodus 29:7-9, 1Corinthians 12, Philipians 3:14, Hebrews 12:28, 2 Timothy 1:6-7, Ephesians 1:4, Ephesians 4:1, Acts 6:3, 1Corinthians 1:18-31, 1Corinthians 2:1-16; 2Corinthians 3:18.



Ephesians 4 (New King James Version)

Walk in Unity

4 I, therefore, the prisoner [a] of the Lord, [b] beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, 2 with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, 3 endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. 4 There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism; 6 one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in [c] you all.

Spiritual Gifts

7 But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. 8 Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men."

9 (Now this, "He ascended"—what does it mean but that He also [d] first descended into the lower parts of the earth? 10 He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)

11 And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, 12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the [e] edifying of the body of Christ, 13 till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; 14 that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, 15 but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head—Christ— 16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love.

The New Man

17 This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as [f] the rest of the Gentiles walk, in the futility of their mind, 18 having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart; 19 who, being past feeling, have given themselves over to lewdness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

20 But you have not so learned Christ, 21 if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: 22 that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, 23 and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24 and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

Do Not Grieve the Spirit

25 Therefore, putting away lying, "Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor," for we are members of one another. 26 "Be angry, and do not sin": do not let the sun go down on your wrath, 27 nor give [g] place to the devil. 28 Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands what is good, that he may have something to give him who has need. 29 Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary [h] edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, [i] clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. 32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

Matthew 16:18: *And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.*