

MINISTRY OF HELPS

I. THE MINISTRY OF HELPS:

A. I Cor. 12:27-28 Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular. And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.

Ephesians 4:11-12 And He gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ.

1. These gifts help the church grow.

2. God set them in the Church, not man.

a. I Cor. 12:18 But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased

Him.

3. Helps is a Supernatural Ministry.

a. I Cor. 12:1 (AMP) Now about the spiritual gifts (the special endowments of supernatural energy), brethren, I do not want you to be misinformed.

B. Numbers 11:10-17

1. God gave Moses the Ministry of Helps.

2. The Helps Ministry is there to help the pastor.

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II. IMPORTANCE OF SUPPORTING YOUR PASTOR THROUGH THE MINISTRY OF HELPS:

IT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW YOUR PASTOR, JUST AS IT IS IMPORTANT FOR HIM TO KNOW HIS SHEEP.

A. YOUR SHEPHERD:

1. Gift From God.

- a. The father-like one.
- b. Ephesians 4:11-12

2. Good Shepherd.

- a. John 10:11-14

3. Oversight.

- a. I Corinthians 12:28
- b. Acts 20:28 ...over the which the Holy Ghost hath made

you

overseers to feed the church of God,...

- c. I Peter 5:2-4 Feed the flock of God which is among

you,

taking the oversight thereof,...

B. HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR PASTOR:

1. Receive Him.

- a. All gifts must be received.
- b. Once received then of use to you.

2. Know Him.

- a. I Thessalonians 5:12 And we beseech you, brethren,

to

know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you.

- b. He is the example to the flock.

3. Esteem Him.

- a. I Thessalonians 5:13 And to esteem them very

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- highly in love for their work's sake....
b. For his giving his all for the sheep.

4. Pray For Him.

- a. II Thessalonians 3:1-3
- b. So the Word will:
 - ...have free course.
 - ...be glorified.
 - ...to be delivered from absurd (unreasonable and wicked) men.

5. Communicate To Him.

- a. Galatians 6:6 Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.
- b. Verbalize your support.
- c. Actions speak louder than words.

6. Imitate Him.

- a. II Kings 2:6 - 15

7. Follow Him.

- a. John 10:4
- b. I Corinthians 11:1-2 Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ....
- c. Follow him as he follows Christ.

III. WAYS THE MINISTRY OF HELPS IS ACCOMPLISHED:

A. BY SERVING:

1. I Kings 10:1-9 (Solomon's servants served happily.)
2. I Sam. 20:4 (Jonathan said to David, "whatever thy soul desireth,
I will even do it for thee".)

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B. BY LOVING:

1. I Sam. 18:1 ("...and Jonathan loved him (David) as his own soul...")

C. BY ASSISTING:

1. I Kings 19:21b ("...Then he arose, and went after Elijah, and ministered unto him." -- Elisha served Elijah many years.)

D. BY UPHOLDING:

1. Exodus 17:8-16 (Amalek was defeated by Joshua and his men because Aaron and Hur helped uphold Moses' hands.)

IV. CONCLUSION:

A. HELPS IS A VALID NEW TESTAMENT PRINCIPLE.

B. HELPS GIVES ASSISTANCE.

C. JESUS HAD A MINISTRY OF HELPS.

Matt. 14:15-21 (Jesus fed the 5000)

**EXCELLENCE IN MINISTRY OF HELPS IS ONLY
ACCOMPLISHED BY FAITHFUL AND LOYAL
PEOPLE.**

EPH. 4:16 "...every joint supplieth..."