

## Qualities of a Good Shepherd

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Shepherding is a lifestyle of servanthood

Shepherds should work on developing their spiritual gifts and enlarging their servant lifestyle

-help your sheep discover his/her spiritual gifts and develop a servant heart

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-Chain of Care: Father --> Son --> Shepherd --> others

-shepherd cannot lead others to where you have not walked

2. Shepherd reveals God to others

-Chain of Revelation: Father <-- Son <-- Shepherd <-- others

-who you are (shepherd's heart) is more important than what you know

3. Shepherd does not seek self-exaltation

4. Shepherd seeks the ultimate reward of hearing from Jesus, "well done!"

5. Shepherd nurtures

-a flock is made up of highly individual persons

-each sheep has special needs and special capacities

-don't overlook but pray and help for those with severely damaged personalities

-ask what can I do to help this person? what is needed for spiritual growth?

6. Shepherd cares for needs

-retrieve rather than abandon

-restore rather than reject

7. Shepherd equips the priests for their service

-priests stand between a holy God and his fellow man

-with one hand touches God and other hand touches a person in need of God

-priest is the conduit God uses to minister to people

-ask yourself, have I equipped my sheep to serve as a priest?

8. Shepherd relies on the Chief Shepherd for all resources (Luke 10:3-9)

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-offer people Jesus and teach them to rely on Jesus

9. Say goodbye to your old lifestyle

-shepherd has to embrace a new way of viewing life

-shepherd does not say, I will tend the clock only on Fridays from 7:00-9:00 PM

-shepherd lives with the flock, sleeps in the field, goes on rescue missions into the valleys

-shepherding is a serious calling and not for the faint of heart

-push yourself to the cliff's edge and throw yourself down trusting that Christ is sufficient

-are you willing to jump?

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