

Study Pack #2 Biblical Shepherding

Jesus took time to _____ about people and to minister

to them. Biblical Counseling = Biblical _____

Ezekiel 34:2b

...Thus saith the Lord God unto the shepherds; Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?

Biblical counseling is all about _____.

Real _____ are going to come to you with real _____ and real problems. Counseling is shepherding that person closer to Christ.

Most people are coming to you wanting a _____ to their problem. They want you to extract them from their situation.

God wants our _____ not just our behavior!

Biblical shepherding is knowing which stance to take, that would increase the _____ of the one being helped.

The object is to help that person _____ with the things that have gotten them into that situation.

As a shepherd, you aren't simply asking them to change their _____; you are asking them to allow God to change their _____.

Increasing faith is the only thing that is going to bring _____ change.

Hebrews 11:6

⁶ But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Romans 10:17

¹⁷ So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Throughout the New Testament, shepherding principles help the church function in ways that lead people to have a _____ relationship with the Lord in faith and obedience.

Recognize that the people that God brings to you are struggling because:

- They are in pain because of something that has been done _____ them.
- They have _____ something wrong and are now suffering as a result.
- They are caught in _____ of sin.

God puts _____ in our path... how will you respond to yours?

There will be instances in your life where God _____ things to happen that are uncomfortable or unpleasant, but He is going to get you through those circumstances. And when you come through those circumstances, you will then have an opportunity to speak into the _____ of someone else.

God is going to bring some people in our path for His purpose, and we have to be ready to _____ them.

God uses compassionate, bold truth to help struggling people gain _____. We are shaping His truth to reflect the hearts of those we are speaking with.

Jesus Spoke to Three Categories:

- Suffering _____
- Seeking _____
- Sinful _____

Read Galatians Chapters 5-6

Galatians 6:1

¹Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

God's desire for us is to engage in the process of _____ one another back to wholeness with life under the Spirit's control.

God is going to bring people into our path that are struggling in life and struggling with sin, and we have the opportunity to show Christ's _____ to them.

Personal Responsibility

Galatians 6:4-5

⁴But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another. ⁵For every man shall bear his own burden.

Require them to bear some of the burden themselves. You will actually _____ others by allowing them to be irresponsible because their burden is so light.

When you are working harder at solving the problem than the person you are helping, it is time to back away and let them feel the _____ of carrying their own load.

There are two possible outcomes: that person might be ready to carry more of their burden than they thought they were, or you will add _____ and add some pressure to change.

Biblical love does not _____, but rather it seeks what is just and right, for others to grow in personal responsibility.

How do you encourage personal responsibility in those you are helping?