

#### MEMBERSHIP CLASS #2 "FINDING A SHEPHERD"

#### 1. SCRIPTURE TEACHES WE ARE TO FIND A SHEPHERD, NOT A CHURCH. (JOHN 10:1-10)

A. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ is the whole body of Christ.

- B. Jesus in these verses is the \_\_\_\_\_\_.
- C. The shepherd in these verses is the \_\_\_\_\_ who has been called and gifted by Jesus to shepherd his flock.

D. The sheep know their shepherd when they hear his \_\_\_\_\_\_.

E. Anyone not called and anointed by Jesus trying to be a shepherd is thief and a

# 2. WE ARE TO RECEIVE OUR PASTOR AS A GIFT FROM THE LORD. (EPH 4:8-16)

- A. Pastor's are to equip God's people to do the work of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and to build up the body of Christ.
- B. We need a shepherd until Jesus \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Our pastor anointed by Jesus will help us become established in sound doctrine, so that we are no longer tossed about by every \_\_\_\_\_\_ of false doctrine.
- D. Our pastor helps us to grow up by speaking the \_\_\_\_\_\_ in love.

E. As every believer becomes an active part of the body, it provides \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the body, and edifying of itself in love.

# 3. WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE BIBLICAL ROLE OUR PASTOR HAS IN OUR LIVES. (JER 3:14-15)

- A. Shepherds who are anointed by God will have the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of God to help God's people.
- B. Notice their primary role in our life is two-fold.
  - 1. They are to feed us with \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2. They are to feed us with \_\_\_\_\_\_.

# 4. OUR PASTOR IS TO PREACH THE WORD, NOTHING ELSE. (2 TIM 4:1-5)

- A. Our pastor is to preach the Word in \_\_\_\_\_\_ and out of season.
- B. Through the preaching of the Word they are to convince, rebuke, exhort, with all \_\_\_\_\_\_ and teaching.
- C. They are not to \_\_\_\_\_\_ our ears, but teach us sound doctrine.
- D. When we have found a pastor who teaches the Word, and we have a witness in our spirit he is our \_\_\_\_\_\_, we have found the church body that our Father has for us.