

⁷⁰ *He chose David his servant and took him from the sheep pens;*
⁷¹ *from tending the sheep he brought him to be the shepherd of his people Jacob, of Israel his inheritance.*
⁷² *And David shepherded them with integrity of heart; with skillful hands he led them.”*
(Psalm 78:70-72)

The Lord loves His people and He showed His love to them by keeping directing them in His safe ways.

God lead His people by His word and by the leading of the Holy Spirit, as well as by His personal intervention in their daily life.

But still one of the ways that God use to direct his people is by choosing and appointing over them people whom he will qualified to lead the people in the ways of the Lord.

The people of God are the sheep of the Lord, and as the sheep are always in flocks and under a shepherd care, the same for his people, they are put under the care of faithful and trust worthy people to shepherd them in the right way.

David was one of the leaders who God chose to lead and he had served God's purpose in his own generation. God took David, He took him from the sheep pens; from tending the sheep he brought him to be the shepherd of his people. God before calling and choosing David He was preparing him for the next appointment in his life. Being a shepherd was exposed to hardships and dangers but he proved himself to be faithful. David was faithful in protecting the sheep and in providing them and bringing them to good places of pastures and clean waters and protecting them from the wild animals.

Those people who God calls to lead His people are in the bible in different names but they have same function; responsibly leading the people in the ways of the Lord. And they need the following to do that successfully.

1- To shepherd them with integrity of heart: “² Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, but eager to serve; ³ not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. ⁴ And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away.” (1Peter 5:2-4) Clean heart, integrity and true love needed.

2- To lead them with skillful hands: Skill is needed in addition to integrity. If skills are not there then the task will not be successful and the leader will fail to do the task faithfully, “If the ax is dull and its edge unsharpened, more strength is needed but skill will bring success.” (Ecclesiastes 10:10)



My Prayer

Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord cleanses my heart and purifies me to be the noble vessels in your service. Lord I renounce my sins _____. O Lord equip me with the skills needed to do your work and your will, this all I ask and pray in Jesus name Amen.



“²² After removing Saul, he made David their king. He testified concerning him: ‘I have found David son of Jesse a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do.’”

(Acts 13:22)

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“Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood.”

(Acts 20: 28)

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