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# Welcome to Pearl Family Church

At Pearl Family Church we are here to help you grow into everything God has created you to be as you discover that you are the pearl of great worth.

Matt. 13:45-46 (WNT) the Kingdom of the Heavens is like a jewel merchant who is in quest of choice pearls. He finds one most costly pearl; he goes away; and though it costs all he has, he buys it.

# Songs

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### VERSE 1

One more step, one more exhale As I follow where You lead Feel my heart as it's racing Down the path You set for me

## **CHORUS**

I won't let the race overtake me Won't let anxiety phase me Whatever comes, count me in Count me in [Here am I lord – send me!] (Is. 6:8). Oh, even when my legs are weary I'm not gonna give up that easy Whatever comes, count me in Count me in

Ghost - MercyMe

There's a ghost

There's a ghost inside of me

Not like those draped in ol' bedsheets

Saying "trick or treat"

Different

Oh this ghost is different

Not one that leaves me scared to death

But one that puts my fear to rest

Oh-oh-ohhhh, oh-ohh

Holiness keep haunting me

Oh-oh-ohhhh, oh-ohh

You're my hope, You're my peace

Ironic in a way

I'm no longer afraid

And the ghost is to blame

There's a ghost

There's a ghost inside of me

Not something from some campfire story

Where I'm terrified to sleep

Opposite

This ghost is quite the opposite

He came just like a welcomed friend

I was comforted

Oh-oh-ohhhh, oh-ohh

Holiness keep haunting me

Oh-oh-ohhhh, oh-ohh

You're my hope, You're my peace

Ironic in a way

I'm no longer afraid

And the ghost is to blame

I'm not afraid

I'm not afraid!

No longer afraid

Lead me through the darkness

Lead me through the unknown

Oh-ohh, lead me

Holy Ghost

Lead me through the darkness

Lead me through the unknown

Oh-ohh, lead me

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# • Now it's time to worship with our giving.

**Luke 6:38** Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

**Ps. 37:4; Matt. 6:33; Phil. 4:19** I delight myself in the Lord and seek first His Kingdom, therefore my needs and righteous desires are met according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

**Deut. 28:2** God is the unfailing and unlimited source of my supply. My financial income and resources now increase as the blessings of the Lord overtake me in all areas of my life.

**Deut. 28:1-2** And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe *and* to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.

Ps. 23:1; 84:11 The Lord is my Shepherd, and I don't lack for any good thing.

**Ps. 1:3** I am like a tree planted by the rivers of water. I bring forth fruit, and whatever I do prospers.

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# • A man carrying is called by God

Acts 9:20-30 BBJ Immediately Saul went to the synagogues to preach the good news that I was indeed the son of God. All who heard saw were amazed, and asked, "Isn't this the man who arrested Christians in Jerusalem and came here to do the same thing?" Saul became more fervent in preaching. The Damascus synagogue was silenced by the strength of Saul's preaching that I was the Christ.

After a time, the Jews plotted to kill Saul, but he heard about it. The assassins waited at the gate night and day, but at night the believers helped Saul escape over the wall in a basket.

When Saul got to Jerusalem, he tried to join the Christians, but they were afraid of him. They were not sure Saul was a true believer. Barnabas received Saul and introduced him to the apostles, and he explained how I appeared to Saul, what I had said to him, and how Saul had preached boldly in My name in the synagogue in Damascus. Then the believers accepted Saul, and he preached boldly among them. Some Greek-speaking Jews to whom Saul preached plotted to murder him. The believers heard about it and took Saul to Caesarea, and then sent him to his hometown in Tarsus.

Acts 9:31 Then had the churches rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified; and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.

The moment you exercise faith in the blood, you will have a meeting with God.

The devil would like to take advantage of your lack of knowledge and try to destroy your life. Exercising faith in the blood will put a stop to the devil and bring you into fellowship with God. Our faith in the blood is the means whereby God releases his blessing into our lives. Faith in the blood of Jesus brings us to a state of atonement with the Father. Atonement simply means a place of unity with Christ - a place of agreement with God. In order to be in agreement with God, we must have faith in the blood.

God's method of justification is to give men His righteousness as a free gift. It is possible for Him to offer it completely by grace, since it comes through the redemptive death of Christ Jesus. God offered Jesus as a public sacrifice that His shed blood might cleanse us from our sins when we put our faith in Him. At the same time, this act vindicated His justice. The sacrifice of Jesus clearly showed why God, in His forbearance, was able to overlook the sins of men in the past (Romans 3:24-25 Lovett).

But our Lord, by His sacrifice has made us a way into the pardoning grace of God. His was truly a spiritual sacrifice. His blood, shed on the cross, is the red seal of it. There is a true mercy seat, and the power of faith is such that by faith a man can unite himself with the divine Victim and in that union enter into the blessed state at-one-ment with the Father (Romans 3:25 Carpenter). <sup>1</sup>

A pastor is filled with vision from on high.

**Matt. 9:36-38** But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly *is* plenteous, but the labourers *are* few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

People are destroyed for their lack of "knowledge, vision, understanding and purpose" in the kingdom of God. God says, "my people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children" (Hos. 4:6). This shows generational effect of believers rejecting God's Word.

Believers as royal kingly priests are destroyed for the lack of God-knowledge and total wisdom of sharing His glory with others (1 Pet. 2:9-10; Rev. 5:10). As God's people undergird the vision of a ministry or a business and partners with it, then that business or ministry becomes successful. Within that people support system (helps ministry) they ensure that the pastor is well supported, prayed for, and most importantly paid well, otherwise he cannot hold up his arms and take care of the people to be successful.

Aaron and Hur held up pastor Moses' arms so that the congregation could be victorious

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Mark Hankins, "The Bloodline of a Champion," 44-45. <a href="https://store.markhankins.org/products/the-bloodline-of-a-champion?">https://store.markhankins.org/products/the-bloodline-of-a-champion?</a> pos=29& sid=132303b68& ss=r

and successful. The pastor equates likewise "when Moses' arms grew tired, Aaron and Hur brought a stone for him to sit on, while they stood beside him and held up his arms, holding them steady until the sun went down. 'In this way' Joshua totally defeated the Amalekites (Exod. 17:12-14 GNT). Ministries need helps volunteers, seven teams deep with six in reserve so those serving on those teams do not have ministry burnout. Those volunteers, then on their days off, can now take time to listen to the Word.

The goal is to have every member and future member be filled with the fullness (knowledge) of God. In that knowing "the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God" (Eph. 3:19). This includes through "wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; and by knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches" (Prov. 24:3-4 NASB).

To lack vision is to be unfulfilled, which causes a deficit in the body or ministry of Christ. With vision and faith, God is the performer, and the believer by faith is actively involved in God's miraculous performance. Jesus' birth shows that Mary "believed: for there shall be a 'performance' of those things which were told her from the Lord" (Luke 1:45). Her same "faith" is the "believer's substance" that God does "the performance" of the miraculous (Heb. 11:1).

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**Heb. 10:24** And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

# Four things to accomplish in this session:

- 1. Help you to understand your pastor better.
- 2. Help you develop a better attitude in serving.
- 3. Help your pastor understand it's not wrong to delegate.

- 4. Help you understand the structure of the local church.
  - When you speak certain thoughts that's when you develop bad attitudes
  - The key to church growth Jesus said is to bring him unto me
  - They brought the need to Jesus
  - No bad attitudes

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# I. UNDERSTANDING YOUR PASTOR BETTER

- A. Many churches place fear on the pastor with the expectations that they have for them.
  - 1. **Ephesians 4:11-12**

**Eph. 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.

- 2. God has given the pastor to the church to minister the Word of God whenever they are told to.
- 3. The pastor is there for the work outside of preaching.
- 4. If the people are edified, the pastor gets to stay longer at the church.
- 5. This is a WRONG interpretation of these verses.
- B. God has given us pastors to perfect and equip us with the Word of God for the work of the ministry, so that we can build up the church.
  - 1. Jesus is lifted up when we go out and do the work of the ministry.
  - 2. This is the CORRECT interpretation of these verses.

## II. THE MINISTRY OF JESUS

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- A. Jesus operated in the five ministry gifts but he is known as the Great Shepherd the Great Pastor.
- B. Jesus' goal on earth was to get to the Cross.
- C. The feeding of the multitude (Matthew 14:15-21)

Matt. 14:15 And when it was evening, his disciples came to him, saying, This is a desert place, and the time is now past; send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages, and buy themselves victuals.

Matt. 14:16 But Jesus said unto them, They need not depart; give ye them to eat.

Matt. 14:17 And they say unto him, We have here but five loaves, and two fishes.

Matt. 14:18 He said, Bring them hither to me.

**Matt. 14:19** And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to *his* disciples, and the disciples to the multitude.

Mark 6:39 And he commanded them to make all sit down by companies upon the green grass.

Mark 6:40 And they sat down in ranks, by hundreds, and by fifties.

Matt. 14:20 And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the fragments that remained twelve baskets full.

Matt. 14:21 And they that had eaten were about five thousand men, beside women and children.

- 1. The disciples saw the need of the people before Jesus did.
- 2. The disciples tried to tell Jesus what he needed to do for the people to meet their need.
- 3. Jesus told the disciples that they were going to meet the need together.
  - a. Jesus had the disciples count off the people so that the disciples knew exactly how many they were going to be feeding.
  - b. Attitude: It is up to you what you do with your thoughts. When you speak out your thoughts, that is when you develop bad attitudes.
- 4. What each one did
  - a. Jesus:
    - i. He spoke it
    - ii. He delegated

- iii. He blessed it
- b. Disciples:
  - i. Went and got the food
  - ii. Seated the people
  - iii. Passed out the food
  - iv. Picked up the fragments
- 5. Jesus did his part and the disciples did their part. A miracle took place and Jesus was lifted up!
- **D.** Jesus calms the storm (Matthew 8:23-26)
- Matt. 8:23 And when he was entered into a ship, his disciples followed him.
- **Matt. 8:24** And, behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep.
- Matt. 8:25 And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish.
- Matt. 8:26 And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.
  - 1. What Jesus did:
    - a. He is a leader.
    - b. Jesus was resting because he knew that he was going to be ministering when he got to the other side of the sea.
    - c. Jesus rebuked the winds and the sea after being well rested.
  - 2. What the disciples did:
    - a. They followed Jesus
    - b. The disciples understood that Jesus needed rest, so they rowed the boat.
  - 3. Jesus did his part and the disciples did their part and a miracle took place Two demon possessed men were delivered. Jesus was lifted up.

- 4. It is important for the workers to do their part so that the pastors can do their part and Jesus can be lifted up.
- E. Blind man is healed (Mark 10:46-52)

Mark 10:46-52 And they came to Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho with his disciples and a great number of people, blind Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus, sat by the highway side begging. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, and say, Jesus, thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And many charged him that he should hold his peace: but he cried the more a great deal, *Thou* Son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be called. And they call the blind man, saying unto him, Be of good comfort, rise; he calleth thee. And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus. And Jesus answered and said unto him, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? The blind man said unto him, Lord, that I might receive my sight. And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way; thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he received his sight, and followed Jesus in the way.

- 1. Jesus did not go to the blind man, but sent the disciples to go get him.
- 2. The disciple's job was to bring the man to Jesus.
- 3. The disciples did their part and Jesus did his part, and the blind man received his miracle. Jesus was lifted up.
- F. When the people in the church do their part, the pastors can do their part, and Jesus will be lifted up.

### THINGS TO THINK ABOUT<sup>3</sup>

- 1. Look at the two interpretations of Ephesians 4:11-12 that were given at the beginning of the session. The first places the pastor under fear, the second empowers pastors to do their job. Which interpretation does your church implement? Does your pastor work in fear or empowerment?
- 2. Do you agree or disagree that it is the job of the people in the church to do the work of the ministry?

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3. What other miracles did Jesus do that required the disciples to do their part, so that he could do his part?

### **SELF STUDY**

- 1. What is your heart's attitude about doing the work of the ministry? Do you feel that it is your job or only your pastor's job?
- 2. Reread Ephesians 4:11-12, pausing after each comma and asking the question "Why?" as Dr. Bell did in the session.
- 3. Everybody has a part to do in the church so that pastors can do theirs. What is your part? What is God asking you to do so that your pastor can his part and Jesus can be lifted up?

**John 12:32** And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all *men* unto me.

- 4. After answering question three, meet with your pastor and talk about how you can be of service to your pastor and church.
- Jesus is the Way

**John 14:6** Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

• Jesus is God's Gift for you

**Eph. 2:8-9** for by grace have ye been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not of works, that no man should glory.

• Your active part – align your heart with your mouth

**Rom. 10:9-10** That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

### • Come Home

**John 14:6** Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

**1 John 1:9** If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**John 14:6** Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

This is your moment. Pray where you hear it with your own ears and the whole church will pray together with you along – so now pray along with Pastor Dave...

**Rev. 12:11 (ISV)** Our brothers conquered him by the blood of the lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to their lives even in the face of death.

"HEAVENLY FATHER, I COME TO YOU IN JESUS NAME. AND I BELIEVE WITH ALL MY HEART THAT JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD. HE DIED ON A CROSS TO BEAR MY SIN STAIN. AND I NOW OPEN THE DOOR OF MY HEART. I OPEN THE DOOR OF MY LIFE AND JESUS, I INVITE YOU IN. I RECIEVE YOU NOW JESUS TO BE MY SAVIOR AND TO BE MY LORD. THANK YOU FOR COMING. I'M NOW A CHILD OF GOD. AND MY SIN IS WASHED AWAY AND I'M HEAVEN BOUND. AND JESUS IS MY LORD, IN JESUS NAME, AMEN."

**Luke 15:10** Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

**John 14:16** And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

**John 14:26** But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

**Ps. 16:11** Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence *is* fulness of joy; at thy right hand *there are* pleasures for evermore.

**Deut. 28:1-2** And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe *and* to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth: And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.

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