

1. Last week I taught *The Doctrine of Jesus Teaches* and when the clock tolled 7:45 I was about to begin the *Doctrine of Didasko*.
2. Before we return to that study, I want to give you opportunity to rebound.

Doctrine of Didasko

1. The Greek verb **Didasko** originally meant to teach publicly. Teaching was done in a public assembly usually called the **Ekklesia** or church. A teacher is a **Didaskalos** and what is taught is generally referred to as the **Didache**.
2. **Didasko** or public teaching is one of the functions of the pastor-teacher and all other functions of the pastor-teacher are designed to support this role; it is the pastor-teacher's primary function to **Didasko** when it is convenient or inconvenient.
3. In the Church Age believers are urged to attend the local classroom where doctrine should be taught.

Heb 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.
4. There are two extant communication gifts in the Church Age. They are pastor-teacher and evangelist.

Eph 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;
- 4.1 The Book of Ephesians was written in approximately A.D. 62 during the early church age, which I like to call the interim age; there were many temporary or whip gifts extant, certainly to include the gifts of apostleship and prophet.
- 4.1.1 This explains the listing of these two interim age gifts in Eph 4:11.
5. In the Epistles to the Church only pastor-teachers are seen teaching the Word and only pastor-teachers are told to teach the Word.

5.1 Notice the examples in the Pastoral Epistles where teaching is listed and commanded for the pastor-teacher:

1Ti 3:2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, **apt to teach**;

1Ti 4:11 These things command and **teach**.

2Ti 2:24 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, **apt to teach**, patient,

Tit 2:1 But **speak** thou the things which become sound doctrine:

Tit 2:15 These things **speak**, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

2Ti 4:2 **Preach** the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine.

6. There are basically four words for pastor-teacher and each emphasizes a special function of the office.

6.1 **Presbuteros** - this means the old man. The word stresses the authority of the leader of the local church. The word also stresses authority in terms of representing the absent King thus he is an ambassador.

Eph 6:19 And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel,

Eph 6:20 For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

1Ti 5:17 Let the **elders** that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially they who labor in the word and doctrine.

1Ti 5:19 Against an **elder** receive not an accusation, but before two or three witnesses.

1Pe 5:1 The **elders** which are among you I exhort, who am also an **elder**, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:

Heb 13:7 Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation.

Heb 13:17 Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

6.2 **Episkopos** - This means the chief overseer and stresses the role of the pastor-teacher as the person in charge of policy making.

1Ti 3:2 A **bishop** then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, apt to teach;

Phi 1:1 Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the **bishops** and deacons:

1Pe 2:25 For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and **Bishop** of your souls.

6.3 **Poimen** - This means the shepherd of the sheep emphasizing the responsibility for protecting the congregation. The protection involves ensuring privacy and shielding from false teachers.

Acts 20:28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, **to feed** the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

6.3.1 Interestingly the word overseers is from the noun **Episkopos** and the word to feed is from the verb **Poimaino**. So we see the use of **Poimen** and **Episkopos** in this verse.

1Pe 5:2 **Feed** the flock of God which is among you, **taking the oversight** thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;

6.3.2 Again we have feed from the verb **Poimaino** and taking the oversight from the verb **Episkopeo**. So, we see the use of **Poimen** and **Episkopos**.

6.4 **Didaskalos** - This means teaching the Word in public assembly and is the noun form of **Didasko**. The word emphasizes the primary aspect of the pastor-teacher which is to provide doctrine to those who come.

1Ti 2:7 Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, and lie not;) a **teacher** of the Gentiles in faith and verity.

2Ti 1:11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a **teacher** of the Gentiles.

7. There is another word which is often used of the pastor-teacher to stress his role of making known the message from the King and that is **Kerux**.

7.1 This word stresses the evangelistic aspect of many messages given by the pastor-teacher. The word originally meant that town crier coming from a king with a message which he would publicly herald.

2Ti 1:11 And of this gospel I was appointed a **herald** and an apostle and a teacher.

8. All teaching however is a responsibility of the Holy Spirit.

1Co 2:13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

Joh 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.

Joh 16:13 Therefore when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

9. The role of the pastor-teacher is to provide a surfeit to feed those who elect to bring the Holy Spirit to Church.

Eph 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

Eph 4:12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

Eph 4:13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ:

Eph 4:14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

Doctrine of Pastor-Teacher

1. Definition:

1.1 A male believer with the gift of pastor-teacher provided by the Holy Spirit at the moment of salvation.

1Co 12:4 Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit ...

1 Co 12:7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit.

1Co 12:8 For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit ...

1Co 12:11 But all these worketh that one and the very same Spirit dividing to every man severally as He will.

1.2 The gift is designed for use in the Church Age to communicate the Word of God from the original language to an assigned group of believers.

1Th 1:1 Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians which is in God the Father and in the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Heb 13:7 Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation.

Heb 13:17 Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

1.3 The gift is one of two extant communication gifts in the Church Age, i.e., evangelism and pastor-teacher.

Eph 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

2. Concept:

2.1 Since all believers are Royal Family, we must know about God's system of authority for growth. The promises in the Word of God to Believers are many and are provided for our benefit that we may grow spiritually.

2Pe 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

2Pe 1:4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

2.2 Spiritually speaking there are three basic categories of authority in the Church Age:

2.2.1 The Written Word-Scripture.

2Ti 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

2Ti 3:17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

2.2.2 The pastor-teacher is to teach the Canon of Scripture.

Acts 20:28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over which the Holy Spirit hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

2.2.3 As a believer with the permanent indwelling of the Holy Spirit we will be taught by the Spirit when we desire doctrine and bring the Holy Spirit to Church.

2.3 The pastor-teacher is the human catalyst to assist in the grace process of inculcation of the Word from the printed page to the soul of the believer.

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1Pe 5:2 Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;

2.4 The gift of pastor-teacher like all gifts is bestowed solely at the discretion of the Holy Spirit.

1Co 12:11 But all these worketh that one and the self-same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

2.5 The gift requires the intake of the Word to function.

1Ti 4:14 Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.

2Ti 1:6 Wherefore I put thee [Timothy] in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

2.6 The gift when functioning properly carries with it both authority and ability to communicate the Word. It is to be done via monologue.

2.7 The gift is for males only.

1Ti 2:11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.

1Ti 2:12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.

1Ti 2:13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve.

1Ti 2:14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression.

5. In summary the function of the pastor-teacher is:

5.1 To teach the local church.

2Ti 4:2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine.

Expanded Translation:

"Proclaim God's Word as His earthly herald when it is convenient and when it is inconvenient; correct, rebuke and encourage by means of patience and accurate teaching."

1Ti 3:2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, able to teach."

5.2 He teaches and the congregation listens; it is their job to show up and be ready to take in the Word.

Jam 1:18 Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

Jam 1:19 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

Expanded Translation of Verse 19:

"Now since you are supposed to be growing as His First Fruits, be quick to assemble for doctrine, be quiet and listen when the Word is taught and do not emotionally react to what you hear-think about the teaching and then make your judgment."

Heb 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

End Lesson

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