The Apostolic Balance: One Flock and One Shepherd

We have only known and been indoctrinated in the leadership by ministers or pastors. As a consequence, the apostolic is foreign and objectionable to the majority of Christians. However, we must come to grips with our King's move to reinstate the apostolic – the overseers. This is <u>his</u> move and we must <u>not</u> fight against it or resist it because that means we are resisting him and we are defiant.

The ekklesia, ministers and pastors all need apostles. They are sunk without them in this season of what Heaven is putting in place on earth.

We must also understand that there will be a difference in the way the genuine apostolic leads because they understand that there is only one shepherd – the King himself. Here are some examples of the differences:

"Pastors are protectors. Apostles are acceptors! Pastors tend to segregate. Apostles tend to integrate. Pastors tend to build shelters. Apostles tend to build springboards (launching pads). Pastors tend to have a localized vision. Apostles tend to have a regional vision or beyond. Pastors like to focus on those already saved. Apostles have an ability to focus on all of mankind. Pastors are not normally fisherman but an apostle is also able to understand the ministry of the evangelist who has a heart for the lost, because his or her gift allows for it!

Apostles desire to see the entire body of Christ everywhere walk in unity; however, pastors usually only have a desire to see their church walk in unity. This is why pastors serve a localized group of people, but apostles are sent to a region with a vision for the community and beyond!

John 3:16 is very explicit that God Loves the entire world! Jesus also, speaking as an apostle, gave this exhortation in John 10: "I have other sheep who are not of this fold. I must also bring them, and they will hear My voice. There will be one flock and one shepherd" (v. 16)." ²

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^{2 -} Vince Viozzi (17-5-2018) "A Prophetic Word About the Apostolic Restoration to the Kingdom"