

Week 1 Day 1

- **Burden**
 - The meaning of shepherding is to take all-inclusive tender care of the flock.
 - **Verse(s)**
 - John 21:16 - He said to him again a second time, Simon, son of John, do you love Me? He said to Him, Yes, Lord, You know that I love You. He said to him, Shepherd My sheep.
 - **Excerpt**
 - Shepherding refers to caring for all of the needs of the sheep, whether the need is grass, water, or shelter. All the sheep are to be well provided for and well tended to. Of all the needs, the most important one is the feeding, that is, the mouth-to-mouth feeding. This is the duty of the elders. If all the elders in the various localities would do this, the saints would receive the suitable care. (CWWL, 1988, vol. 4, "A Timely Trumpeting and the Present Need," ch. 4, p. 42)
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 - **Prayer**
 - Pray for our love for the Lord being above everything else and receiving a burden from Him to shepherd His sheep.
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Week 1 Day 2

- **Burden**
 - Christ is the Good Shepherd, the great Shepherd, the Chief Shepherd, the Shepherd of our souls, and the eternal Shepherd.
 - **Verse(s)**
 - Psalm 23:1 - Jehovah is my Shepherd; I will lack nothing.
 - John 10:11 - I am the good Shepherd. The good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.
 - **Excerpt**
 - In His heavenly ministry Christ is shepherding people, and we need to cooperate with Him by shepherding people. Without shepherding, our work for the Lord cannot be effective. We must learn all the truths so that we may have something to speak and go to contact people to shepherd them. (CWWL, 1994-1997, vol. 5, "The Vital Groups," ch. 4, pp. 88-93)
 - **Prayer**
 - Pray for our experience of the Lord as our Shepherd and cooperate with Him in His heavenly ministry by shepherding people.
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Week 1 Day 3

- **Burden**
 - The part of our being that has been constituted of Christ is the part that shepherds others.
- **Verse(s)**

- Luke 22:31-32 - Simon, Simon, behold, Satan has asked to have you all to sift you as wheat. But I have made petition concerning you that your faith would not fail; and you, once you have turned again, establish your brothers.
- **Excerpt**
 - Our shepherding should be according to God's love toward the fallen human race. The fallen human race is joined with Satan to be his world in his system, but God has a heart of love toward these people. We have to follow the steps of the processed Triune God in His seeking and gaining fallen people. (CWWL, 1994-1997, vol. 5, "The Vital Groups," ch. 4, pp. 88-93)
- **Prayer**
 - Pray for our inner being to be gained by the Triune God so that we can shepherd others as He does.

Week 1 Day 4

- **Burden**
 - The main purpose and goal of the apostolic ministry incorporated with Christ's heavenly ministry are to build up the Body of Christ.
- **Verse(s)**
 - 1 Pet. 5:2 - Shepherd the flock of God among you, overseeing not under compulsion but willingly, according to God; not by seeking gain through base means but eagerly;
- **Excerpt**
 - The way that can save people effectively must be by small vital groups, and everyone in this small vital group must be a shepherd. After a short time the church will be revived. No other way is more prevailing than this shepherding way. (CWWL, 1994-1997, vol. 4, "Crystallization-study of the Gospel of John," ch. 13, p. 447, 450-452)
- **Prayer**
 - Pray for the Body to be built up through everyone being a shepherd in the vital groups.

Week 1 Day 5

- **Burden**
 - We are both sheep and shepherds, shepherding and being shepherded in mutuality; through this mutual shepherding, the Body builds itself up in life.
- **Verse(s)**
 - Eph. 4:16 - Out from whom all the Body, being joined together and being knit together through every joint of the rich supply and through the operation in the measure of each one part, causes the growth of the Body unto the building up of itself in love.
- **Excerpt**
 - As a prophet for God's oracle, we will speak for the Lord. Meanwhile, we need to shepherd people. This is the way to be fruitful, to have the multiplication and the increase. If this kind of fellowship is received by us, I believe there will be a big revival on the earth, not by a few spiritual giants but by the many members of Christ's Body being shepherds

who follow the steps of the processed Triune God in seeking and gaining fallen people. (CWWL, 1994-1997, vol. 5, "The Vital Groups," ch. 4, pp. 88-93)

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- **Prayer**
 - Pray for the mutual shepherding among all the saints for the increase and building of the Body of Christ.

Week 1 Day 6

- **Burden**
 - If all the churches with all the saints will turn to the shepherding way, we will have a big revival.
- **Verse(s)**
 - Ezk. 34:12 - As a shepherd seeks out his flock on the day when he is among his sheep which are scattered, so I will seek out My sheep; and I will deliver them from all the places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness.
- **Excerpt**
 - At the end of 1942 the church in Chefoo had a great revival. The revival was not brought in by holding conferences or because of human incitement; rather, it was brought in through visiting and shepherding the saints house to house...On the one hand, I went to visit the saints in their homes; on the other hand, I invited them to come for a meal in order to talk and fellowship with them. This visitation and shepherding were very effective. (CWWL, 1994-1997, vol. 4, p. 524)
- **Prayer**
 - Pray for a new revival to be brought in through prevailing and universal shepherding.