Christian Leaders Connections CLC





ORDINATION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

- 1. Share briefly with us an up-to-date account of your relationship with Jesus Christ.
- 2. Share briefly with us about your call to the ministry.
- 3. What has been the greatest frustration you have experienced in your ministry?
- 4. What makes you excited about getting out of bed in the morning and being a pastor or an associate pastor?
- 5. Tell us about your devotional life and about how you keep your daily meeting with Jesus.
- 6. How often do you meet with an accountability partner?
- 7. Tell us a time during the past two weeks when you have spent quality time with your spouse and your children.
- 8. Let's talk about your weekly schedule. (a) What day do you normally take as a day off? (b) When is the normal time each week that you attempt to reserve for sermon preparation?
- 9. What part of pastoral care (Shepherding the flock of God) do you like most and what part do you like least?
- 10. What part of church administration do you like the least?
- 11. Share with us from the Word of God how you would respond to a person who came to you and said, "Can you tell me how to become born again? (saved)
- 12. Tell us about someone you have been mentoring during this past year.
- 13. What is your response to someone who says, "I believe the speaking in unknown tongues is the evidence that you have been filled with the Holy Spirit?"
- 14. What is your feeling about how churches are assessed budgets for World Mission, Pensions, Education, and the District?
- 15. What books have you been reading during the past six months?
- 16. Do you enjoy preaching? How would you classify yourself as a preacher?
- 17. Would you explain to us what you believe about why entire sanctification is needed, how it is provided and what happens to a person who is entirely sanctified? Please give us specific scripture references to support your position.
- 18. Are you in complete harmony with the polity, the government, the articles of faith, the

general rules, and The Covenant of Christian Leaders Connections?

- 19. Who manages the finances in your house? Are you behind in any of your financial obligations at this time?
- 20. How much of you owned someone?
- 21. The moral climate of the day, as well as the Scriptures (I Thess. 4:3-5 et al) call for pure lives above reproach. Is Internet pornography or any other moral issue (TV, movies, sensual literature) a problem for you?
- 22. What methods of evangelism have you led your church to utilize during the past twelve months?
- 22. Please tell us what you perceive ordination to represent?
- 23. Are there any questions you wish to ask this board?

SECTION TWO:

The following are suggested questions:

- 1. What is there about this position that excites and interests you?
- 2. What are your strongest abilities, experience and skills that will enable you to be effective in this position?
- 3. What are the major qualities you look for in your relationships with members of the congregation and/or your peers on the staff?
- 4. How do you prefer to work with others to achieve your objective?
- 5. Tell us about yourself: health, maturity and practical judgment, sense of humor, initiative.
- 6. We are interested in your leadership capabilities:
- 7. What large hopes and dreams have you for this congregation?

FAITH

- 1. What is your understanding of faith?
- 2.Tell us about your faith in Jesus Christ and personal religious life (or How do you take care of your soul?)

THEOLOGY

1. What issues of theological reflection have been demanding your study and thinking recently?

Explain some of them.

- 2. Where are you at the present time in your theological studies?
- 3. What in your opinion is the foremost theological issue facing the Church today?

Trinity

Give us your understanding of the Trinity? How does it affect your practice of ministry?

Incarnation

Give us your understanding of the incarnation? How does it affect your ministry?

Authority of Scripture

Give us your views on the inspiration of the Scriptures, Explain your understanding of the first chapters of Genesis Give us your understanding of the Trinity.

Salvation (faith and grace)

Give us your views on redemption through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Sovereignty of God

How do you reconcile the sovereignty of God with the evil, pain and sorrow in the world?

Human tendency to idolatry: (Nature of Sin)

How do you understand sin?

Stewardship of all of life

How do you understand our role as stewards?

Covenantal Ecclesiology: (Christian Church and Community)

When we speak of the Church, what does it mean to you?
What is your understanding of the Lord's Supper? What is its significance?
Explain to us the meaning of the Sacrament of Baptism.
Give us your views on Infant
Baptism.

Describe your practice of Baptism.

Transformation of society

What do you see as the mission of the Church in the world? Talk about your understanding of the church and it's relationship with society.

Examples of Pastor Ordination Scripture

According to an online version of the <u>King James Bible</u> the following is biblical text related to ordination by subject.

<u>2 Timothy 2:15</u> - Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

John 15:16 - Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and [that] your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

Ephesians 4:1-32 - I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called.

<u>1 Timothy 5:22</u> - Lay hands suddenly on no man, neither be partaker of other men's sins: keep thyself pure.

Acts 14:23 - And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed.

<u>1 Timothy 1:12</u> - And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry;

<u>Acts 6:3</u> - Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business.



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