**Caring for Church Members During Unprecedented Times**

This class is designed to share the need and value of showing compassion to church members in a season of pandemic and pandemonium.

**I. The Necessities of Caring for Your Members**

Listed below are reasons Senior Pastors should implement a system to care for their flock.

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**II Corinthians 1:3, 4**

*“All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort.* 4) *He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us.”* (NLT)

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 **Acts 4:32, 36, 37**

*“All the believers were united in heart and mind. And they felt that what they owned was not their own, so they shared everything they had.* 36) *For instance, there was Joseph, the one the apostles nicknamed Barnabas (which means “Son of Encouragement”). He was from the tribe of Levi and came from the island of Cyprus.* 37) *He sold a field he owned and brought the money to the apostles.”* (NLT)

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 **Hebrews 10:24**

*“Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works.”* (NLT)

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 **Romans 12:18**

*“If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.”* (NIV)

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 **I Corinthians 12:25**

*“That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another.”* (KJV)

**Section Notes:**

**II. The Negativities about Caring for Your Members**

Listed below are the types of people Senior Pastors can encounter when implementing a system of care for their parishioners.

1. -Very Adversarial People

**I Kings 11:25**

*“Rezon was Israel’s adversary as long as Solomon lived, adding to the trouble caused by Hadad. So Rezon ruled in Aram and was hostile toward Israel.”* (NIV)

1. -Very Confrontational People

**Acts 4:1, 2**

*“While Peter and John were speaking to the people, they were confronted by the priests, the captain of the Temple guard, and some of the Sadducees.* 2) *These leaders were very disturbed that Peter and John were teaching the people that through Jesus there is a resurrection of the dead.”* (NLT)

1. -Very Judgmental People

**James 4:11**

*“Brothers and sisters, do not slander one another. Anyone who speaks against a brother or sisteror judges them speaks against the law and judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it.”* (NIV)

1. -Very Oppositional People

**Acts 6:8, 9**

*“Now Stephen, a man full of God’s grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people.* 9) *Opposition arose, however, from members of the Synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called)—Jews of Cyrene and Alexandria as well as the provinces of Cilicia and Asia—who began to argue with Stephen.”* (NIV)

1. -Very Traditional People

**Mark 7:8**

*“You have let go of the commands of God and are holding on to human traditions.”* (NIV)

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**III. The Positivities from Caring for Your Members**

Listed below are benefits of Senior Pastors seeing to it that the families in their church are cared for systematically.

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3. Senior Pastors caring for members can bring about   of members.

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