

what is a pastor?

A love of God first and foremost, and a passion for the Gospel

A solid relationship with God, and understanding of His will and His ways

A love of God's people, no matter what their circumstances

Compassion

Grace

Encouragement

Wisdom

Able to teach

Love God

Love People

Facilitate...

Brian Treadaway

Love GOD

Not being fake

Caring for others

Just being yourself

i don't think being a pastor is about who you are at all
i think it's about how transparent you are; how much of
Christ people can see through you
none of the early church leaders had any special
qualities or training they were just simply trying to
share Christ.

passionate

compassionate

a shepherd

discerning

wise

yet remaining human :)

Being REAL is DEFINITELY a requirement. Making
scripture relevant to everyday life (as Brian says) is
another...

I heard once that a Shepherd always smells like his
flock....if he doesn't then he isn't spending time with
them and getting involved in their lives and daily living,
so I would say that a Shepherd smells like his flock.

Pastor (shepherd): one who feeds a group of sheep to
keep them growing & healthy, nurtures them to
multiply & make new sheep, and protects/cares for the
daily needs they can't handle on their own.

Love God and others.

A pastor has to have a relationship with God and has to
be able to hear from God.

Has to be living the Word of God. (How can he share
with others, if he is not living what he believes?)

Genuine

Another word for pastor is minister. We all are
ministers. Someone once said "bloom where you are
planted". Whether you are a housewife, mom or dad,
student, painter, doctor, mechanic, computer
technician, accountant, secretary, lawyer, working at
the bank, whatever it is that you do, we are to minister
one to another. It wasn't meant just for us to make a
living, or to make our pockets deeper, but to minister
one to another. I remember working at this counseling
agency and there was always need. I was the
receptionist there and if they needed something, I
would go out of my way to help them. But today,
people have this attitude of "it's not my job". That's not
what God intended from the beginning. He made it to
where we would need each other and minister one to
another. He wanted to teach us the love for God and
neighbor.

A passion for God, His love shown thru our actions, with
a grace for all who need it.

I agree with the Shepherd.....but I think of the
Shepherd, or Pastor, as a servant.....humble and
unselfish....

herding the sheep, leading from the back, not the
front.....denying him/herself to do the greater good!

what we do ::

create spaces of grace
live in intentional relationships
share relevant truth

how we do it (the six) ::

celebrating what God is doing (worship)
telling others outside what God is doing (evangelism)
connecting and accepting one another (fellowship)
intentionally guiding one another to Christ and towards personal priesthood (discipleship)
being sensitive to know and meet needs (serving)
living and being transparent and authentic

what is a leader/pastor ::

a leader takes responsibility to create desire to know God more

how do they do it ::

live out the 6
assumes the responsibility of others lives
assumes the responsibility of guiding others toward personal priesthood
creates an environment of:
- spaces of grace
- intentional relationships
- relevant truth