

17 MARCH 2020 SHEPHERD'S LETTER #4

Beloved congregation,

The prescription in the New Testament is that we will covet – take note "covet" – earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way. (1 Cor. 12:31)

"COVET": Asks all our attention: Our surrender, and obedience. In other words, self-discipline.

Leadership can only emerge if the above truth, the potential that is locked up in each one, will unbind. The above truth must be demonstrated, because the Church has been called to reveal, as a Church, to the principalities and powers — in the air — the manifold wisdom of God. What do the forces in the air know of your actions when you operate in your private life, outside the framework of Church activities? *(Eph. 3:10)*

What makes this mandate — which is Christ-centered; and Christ motivated — possible, in accordance with *(Luke 1:17)*, and is directed towards God *(John 1:1; Eph. 2:16)*, requires and ask a spiritual team, the multiplication of the *"Elijah Spirit" (Luke 1:17)*. EKD's mandate and presentation is not a one man show. This does not mean that all of you have progressed far enough yet, but it definitely asks of us to be diligent.

Do we have your attention, are you surrendered and are you obedient?

The purpose of the content of this writing is meant to give perspective, to those who qualify for leadership or to show why some are not yet able to function as an elder.

I hope this period of isolation, is a time that you will use effectively, trusting that you judge yourself.

Love Greetings,

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