

Traits of a Shepherd Leader as Modeled by Paul

- Presence with the flock
 - Emotionally
 - Relationally
- Indiscriminate – no favorites
- Humble – is also a sheep
- Visionary – knows where we're going
- Protection/guarding/vigilant
- Bold/overcoming fear – with purpose
- Long-suffering/constancy/consistent
- Correcting/encouraging/admonishing
- Spirit-filled and led (“bound”)
- Ability to teach – word-centered
- Willing to give authority away
- Servanthood-caring for others “work with his own hands”
- Engaged in mission
 - Poor
 - Underprivileged
- Identity in God is clear
- Empathy/connection to reality/solemn/grounded
- Committed to the purpose
- Guard your heart/self care
- Understands the gravity of his/her calling
- Compassionate
- Jesus – the whole council of God
- Called

Minimal Requirements “Sheep Dog”

- Committed
- Available
- Teachable
- Accountability
- Willing to take risk
- Spirit-led/called
- Grounded in core teaching
- Heart for all the flock
- Enough emotional health
- Gratitude
- Able to submit to authority
- Spiritually hungry
- Active prayer life – especially for flock
- Willing to be directed
- Willing to lead prayer ministry
- Desire to submit to Scripture
- Minimally discerning
- Willing to go through hard things
- Willing to engage in mission