

## Slipping Around

I was just thinking...

I have just read in the news today of the breaking story of a very influential Church Pastor in Georgia who has a Church of over twenty-five thousand members. Two young men have filed a lawsuit alleging that there had been sexual misconduct between the Pastor and them.

What bothers me is why doesn't the news media cover the good things that Pastors and Church members do for the community? There is plenty of good news of the positive things that the Church is doing to redirect wayward souls and to change misdirected lives to be a benefit to society and not a drain on society.

It seems that the news media always want to bring forth the bad news when a member of the clergy slips up or is caught slipping around. What about the Pastor that slips into the hospital to pray for a cancer patient? I haven't read anything about that. What about the Pastor that slips a homeless person a twenty dollar bill at the intersection? I haven't read that in the morning paper. What about the Pastor that slips his arm around a hurting soul that has just lost their mother? That wasn't on the front page. What about the Pastor that gets the call at 3:00 am from a distressed mother and father whose son has been in a serious car accident? That was not on the evening news. What about the good deeds that are done in the Name of Jesus Christ? Never seems to make the headlines.

There is a whole lot of good going on in this world that thousands of Pastors and ministers are doing but no one seems to recognize this fact. I personally want to thank all the Pastors and ministers in our nation and world for all the work that you are doing to make a difference in this society that we live in. Even though it is very seldom recognized by the news media it is certainly recognized by the King of kings and Lord of lords.

Don't let the negativism of this world discourage or hinder you from doing the work that God has called you to do. The Apostle Paul wrote a profound statement in **Galatians 6:9-10 KJV**, “<sup>9</sup> And let us not be **weary in well doing**: for in **due season** we shall reap, if we **faint not**. <sup>10</sup> As we have therefore opportunity, let us do **good** unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.”

Keep doing the good no matter what has come against you. The promise is written that we will reap when the time is right. Yes, we may get weary in doing good things but the season will come when we will reap what we have sown. Many times we get discouraged and frustrated but understand that Jesus Christ see's all and knows all.

So keep slipping around. Keep on slipping into hospital rooms. Keep on handing out lunches and clothing to the homeless. Keep on praying for your neighbors and family. Keep on answering the phone that has brought the sad news.

We are not called to be served but we are called to serve. We do not do what we do for the praises of men but we do what we do for the kingdom of God. Keep on slipping around...

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