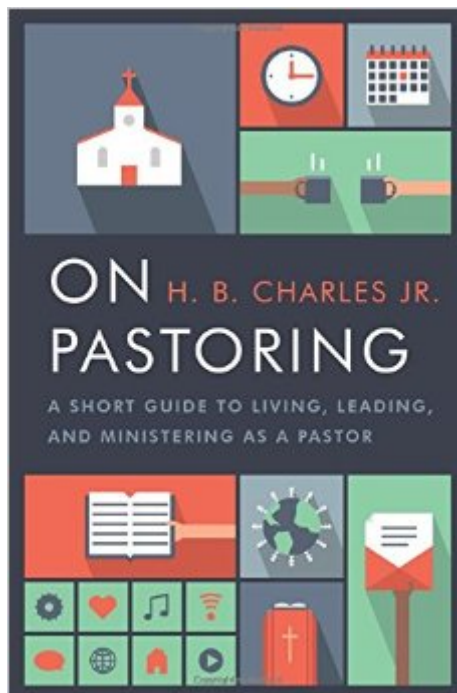


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# On Pastoring: A Short Guide To Living, Leading, And Ministering As A Pastor



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From one pastor to another...No one is ever fully prepared for the ministry. For pastors just starting out, those needing a little rebalancing, or those growing tired in the trenches, a short guide to the basics is a welcome relief. In *On Pastoring*, H. B. Charles gives 30 instructive reflections on the pastor's heart, leadership, and public ministry, covering topics like: Cultivating personal godliness, Prioritizing your family, Guarding your ministry effectiveness, Planning, preparing, and preaching sermons, Balancing pastoral roles and duties, Being a pastor means wearing many hats, weathering lots of pressure, and bearing great responsibility. Let H. B. Charles be a trusted advisor as you do the serious work of shepherding a flock of God.

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Pastor Charles has delivered a fascinating and well written book regarding pastoral ministry. I will begin by letting you know I am not a pastor. I work in the medical field, but I have served as a deacon in my church for the past two years. I try my best to encourage and support my pastor in his ministry and personal life, and I thought that reading this book might help give me a better insight and help me determine how I can serve my pastor and my church more effectively. A few months ago my pastor read me an article that was on Pastor Charles's website. It ended with the line "As the old preachers used to say, good meat makes its own gravy". So when my pastor told me that H. B. Charles had written this new book, I said "I bet there's some good gravy in that one!" H. B. Charles preached his first sermon when he was 11 years old. By his middle teen years he was

preaching basically every week. When he was 16, his father died. A year and a half later, at the age of 17, he was elected to take over as pastor of his father's church. H. B. Charles has been preaching and teaching all of his adult life. This puts him in a unique situation to advise other pastors on what it takes to build a successful pastoral ministry. His first pastorate was met with criticism and disdain from many church elders, but he soon realized that the congregation as a whole loved and accepted him. Through trial and error he persevered, relying on the Word of God, and continued to lead the church successfully. Pastor Charles lets you know up front that this book is not a how-to guide for carrying out the various functions of pastoral ministry. Nor is it a theological reflection upon the essential nature of a pastor.

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