

Prophet's Column

"True Shepherd Versus False Shepherd"-Part II



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that is so. I have been accused of judging, to that I say Amen. The beloved apostle John said "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God; because many false prophets are gone out into the world (1 Jn. 4:1) So when you say I'm judging by saying this one or that one is a false shepherd, I'm just speaking out of the discernment the Holy Spirit has given me.

Every unsaved religionist misunderstands the Scriptures in the Word of God on judging. If you don't try the spirits, you'll believe every spirit that comes along except the true ones. So when I judge I am in harmony with the Scriptures, with the beloved apostles of old, and it doesn't matter a hair's breath that you accuse me of judging. As an unsaved religionist years ago I didn't know how to rightly judge or judge righteous judgement (Jn. 7:24). Another mark of a false shepherd is that he preaches that there is some good in all men. You've heard that lie in practically all the churches.

According to Isa. 64:6 man is just a menstros rag before God. I make no apology for saying it just like man is. In another Scripture the literal term is used. As long as you believe you have some goodness in you, you will never be saved. The true shepherd preaches the total depravity of man (Isa. 1). A saved man never preaches that there is some good in the worst of men. You learned under Holy Spirit Conviction the total depravity of man, and you'll never forget it.

Before the Holy Spirit taught me total depravity, I too thought there was some good in man. God never saves half sinners, He saves whole sinners. Salvation is wholly of grace. If you are not a sinner, you don't need the grace of God. But as a sinner, you see

Mercy Hospital Is looking Ahead

What is likely to be the picture of health care ten years from now in Charlotte-Mecklenburg? What health services and facilities can best be provided by Mercy Hospital? These and similar questions are the subject of an intense, long-range role and program planning study commissioned by Mercy Hospital.

Through their Long Range Planning Committee, the hospital's Board of Directors initiated the need for such a study, and retained the Tri-Brook Group of Oak Brook, Illinois, a management consulting firm specializing in health institutions, to conduct the project.

Board Chairman Brevard Myers explains, "We have engaged this consulting firm to take an objective look at us and the climate of health care delivery in our area, to give us a firm data base on which to make the important planning decisions for Mercy Hospital."

During the next four months, consultants will analyze each of Mercy's service areas, defining patient origin and special requirements, projected workloads and space needs for Mercy over the next ten years.

With the data base supplied by the study, additional information can continue to be added, allowing the hospital to plan beyond the ten-year span.

Other members of the recently organized Trustees' Forum of General Hospitals in Charlotte have been informed that Mercy is undertaking this major study.

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