

Spiritual Leader / Spiritual Abuse Self Assessment Tool

Are we building people up or are we tearing them down?
How did Jesus minister? What was his attitude?
Study these passages.

Do you treat God's ways with **contempt**? Worship, sacrifice, etc.

Have you **bullied** people? *Who specifically? Can you list them? Do you remember their names?*

Have you **slept with women**? (outside of a spouse) *Note: Because of your role it is always abuse, not consensual sex.*

Passage / 2 Sam 2:12-21 / God's verdict, these are **"worthless men"**
Rejectd and replaced by Messiah,

| Not me | Did this/done this | how often? # times | confession steps | confess to God | repent (change)* | tell other leaders | tell the church | apologized to victim | make it right |
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Do you **feed yourself** (shepherd, protect, nourish) more than you shepherd protect and nourish others? **Do you protect yourself?**

Do you **protect all people** and not allow damage to people?

Are you about **controlling people**? (as opposed to nourishing)

Do you **use others for your benefit**, even for Godly goals?

Do you heal the sick, nourish the injured, seek lost? Minister?

Have you **sent sheep running away from you**?

Have you been harsh in your dealings with people?

Are you **just** (impartial) and **honest** (truthful) with people?

Passage / Ezekiel 34 / God's verdict, **"I am against you"**
I will stop you feeding the sheep / God will demand accountability

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Is your **behavior different** from the things you preach?

Do you lay **heavy burdens** on others you are not willing to bear?

Do you do **"good deeds" to be seen by others?** Dress, actions.

Do you love your position **because of its benefits in looking good.**

Do you **love being called teacher?**

Do you **usurp Jesus' role as THE teacher, THE ruler?**

Do you think you deserve deserve **special treatment?**

Do you exalt yourself and like it when others exalt you?

Do you **make disciples after your own self?** [servants, protectors]

Do you **manipulate** people and **lie** to them?

Do you **focus on little things** and ignore significant things?

Are you more concerned with **looking righteous** than **being** righteous?

Passage / Matthew 23 / God's verdict, **"woe"** (calamity is yours) seven times "woe" / harshest words of Jesus

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Do you **lord-over** others (tell them what to do)?

Do you **exercise authority** over others (have dominion over)?

Passage / Mark 10:35-45 / These kinds of leadership techniques are not in line with Jesus' desires or his very nature. Humility and service is required by Jesus of his leaders.

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With or Without Repentance / Some of these disqualify people from Jesus' ministry -- Sorry to say

