Pontius Pilate: "Joseph, I really don't understand. You're one of the richest men in the region, and you've spent a small fortune on a new tomb for yourself and your family and you want to give it to this man Jesus?"

Joseph: "It's just for the weekend".

"It is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ."

Shhhh

Context

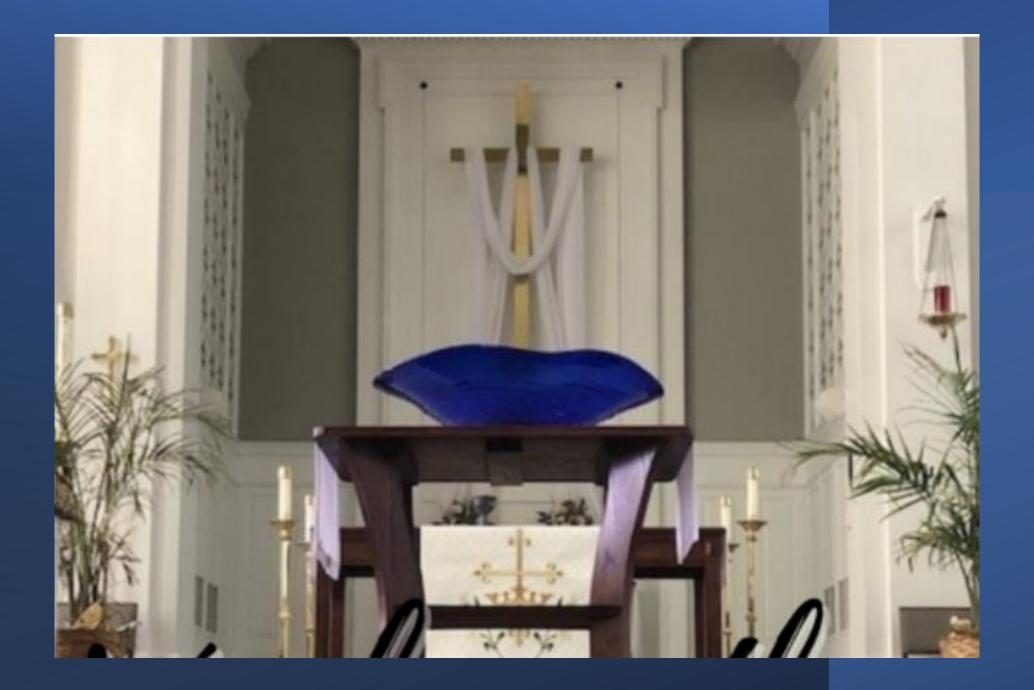


80-85% of established churches in North America are hospices or clubs masquerading as churches



Baptism

God is going to do what God is going to do. The only question is, do we want to be a part of it or not?



From Members to Disciples

The Power of Waiting – Acts 1 The Power of Passion – Acts 2 The Power of Disciplined Growth – Acts 6 An Unstoppable Power – Acts 8 The Power of Vision – Acts 16:6-10 The Power of Purpose – Acts 28

Over the years, there has been a good bit of talk about what a senior pastor is "supposed" to be doing when it comes to leading the church.

However, it's clear that the lead pastor's task must be driven by whatever "stage" a church finds itself in.

Traditional church using the popular chaplaincy model, (the seminary model), their role is significantly different than those who find themselves leading churches that are healthy, growing, and conflict – limited congregations. These two pastors are polar opposite of each other.

That's all well, and good if you're a pastor who is content with the status quo of chaplaincy or who's been blessed by landing in a healthy, growing church.

But what about those pastors who feel the calling to lead their congregations from the chaplaincy-addicted wilderness of the seminary model into the so-called promised land of the transforming church?

There are No shortcuts

The only factor that really matters is whether or not a church has a clear enough vision of where God wants it to go that it is open to change.

In other words... the transformation of the church begins...

with me