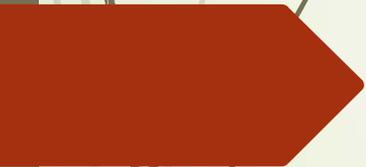


A scene from a stage production. On the left, a woman with long red hair, wearing a blue dress with a white sash, looks towards the right. In the center, a white, cloud-shaped text box contains the text. On the right, a man in a dark suit is seen from behind, standing near a stage curtain. The background is dark with several bright, starburst lights.

*And pay no  
attention to the  
little man behind  
the curtain...*

# Honoring 25 Years of Faithful Shepherding



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# YOUR PASTOR

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**Day 1**



**Year 15**

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➔ “From the greatest celebrations, like weddings and births, and in times of deepest loss, like divorce, disease, and death. Pastors are exposed to the highest hopes and the deepest depths of those in their care. And it’s not temporary, it’s from the womb to the tomb every week, day in and day out.” – Dr. Samuel Chand



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# Life Zones

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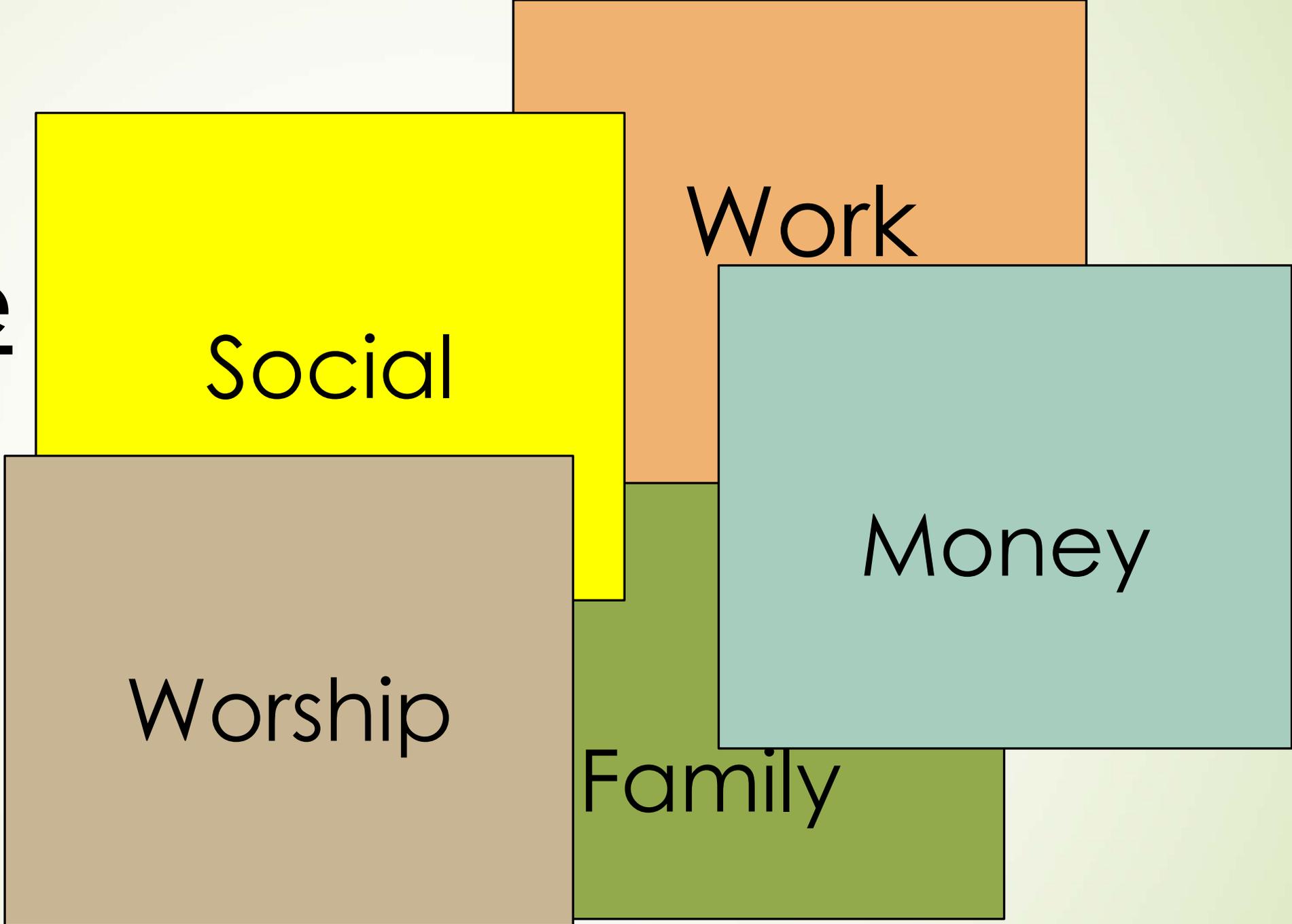
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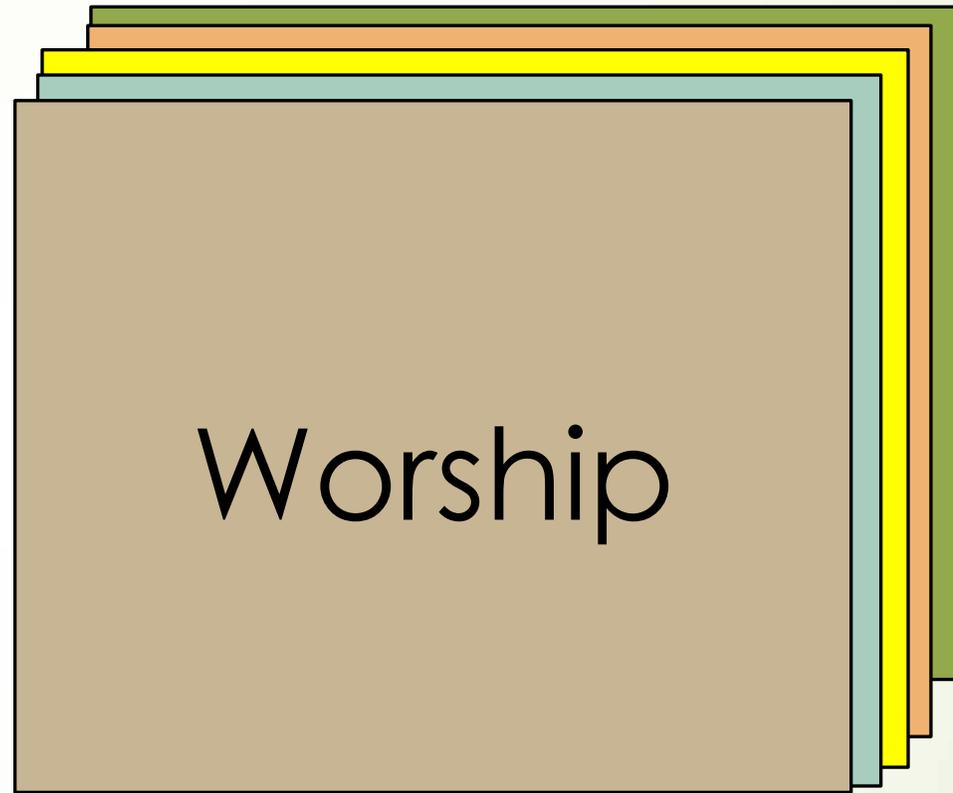
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# Ministry is margin-less!

Pray for your pastor and spouse, the margin-less-ness of ministry can slowly suffocate the minister and family.



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- 4. The pastor's spouse is just as vital to ministry as they are...





## Five Things Your Pastor Will Keep a Secret...

5. The work of ministry at Crosswind is deeply personal. He and his wife feel like shepherds of a precious people.

# Psalm 23

<sup>1</sup> The Lord is my shepherd, I have all that I need.<sup>2</sup> He lets me rest in green meadows; he leads me beside peaceful streams. <sup>3</sup> He renews my strength. He guides me along right paths, bringing honor to his name. <sup>4</sup> Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me. Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me. <sup>5</sup> You prepare a feast for me in the presence of my enemies. You honor me by anointing my head with oil. My cup overflows with blessings. <sup>6</sup> Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life, and I will live in the house of the Lord forever.