

WHY APPRECIATE LEADERS

NUMBER 1. Role model values to us.

PHILIPPIANS 4:9 The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

NUMBER 2. Watch for our souls.

HEBREWS 13:7&17 Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of *their* conduct...**17** Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.

NUMBER 3. Restore our lives when we fall.

GALATIANS 6:1-2 Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who *are* spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. ² Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

JAMES 5:14-15 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

NUMBER 4. Release our ministry.

ACTS 13:1-4

Now in the church that was at Antioch there were certain prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. ² As they ministered to the Lord and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, "Now separate to Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." ³ Then, having fasted and prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent *them* away. ⁴ So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus.

ROMANS 1:11

For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift, so that you may be established

NUMBER 5. Relate the Truth. Even when not popular.

2 TIMOTHY 4:1 I charge *you* therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom:

NUMBER 6. Represent God's love.

1 THESSALONIANS 2:10-12 You *are* witnesses, and God *also,* how devoutly and justly and blamelessly we behaved ourselves among you who believe; ¹¹ as you know how we exhorted, and comforted, and charged every one of you, as a father *does* his own children, ¹² that you would walk worthy of God who calls you into His own kingdom and glory.

NUMBER 7. Raise us spiritually.

1 THESSALONIANS 3:9-10 For what thanks can we render to God for you, for all the joy with which we rejoice for your sake before our God, ¹⁰ night and day praying exceedingly that we may see your face and perfect what is lacking in your faith?