LESSON 13

MINISTRY OF HELPS

(HOW TO FIND YOUR PLACE IN THE BODY OF CHRIST)

I. WHAT IS THE MINISTRY OF HELPS?

- A. The "Ministry of Helps" is a supernatural ministry anointed by God to serve Him and to serve the Pastor and the people.
 - 1. 1 Corinthians 12:28
 - "And God hath set some in the church...helps, governments..."
 - 2. Definition of "helps" is literally one who gives assistance. Anything that you can do to help the Pastor in the Church.
 - a. Ushering
 - b. Hosting
 - c. Helping in the Nursery
 - d. Helping in yard maintenance

II. WHO IS QUALIFIED FOR THE MINISTRY OF HELPS?

A. Ephesians 4:16

"From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joined supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love."

- 1. Everyone in the body of Christ should help. God is looking for "availability" not "ability."
- God does the setting, and He will speak to the Pastor and give the confirmation of the area in the Ministry of Helps you are to participate in.
- 3. Does God need to speak to me directly, or should I wait to be "led of the Spirit?" God can and will speak to you through an inward witness about certain things, but there will be many instances where the willingness to serve out of obedience is all that is needed.

III. HOW DOES GOD REVEAL HIS WILL OR HIS GOAL FOR THE CHURCH?

- A. He places a vision in the Pastor's heart and they share it with the congregation.
 - 1. To fulfill the vision it takes faithful people that are willing to serve.
 - 2. Success of the church depends on the unity of the Body of Christ. Without a strong Ministry of Helps the Body will weaken and become non-productive.