This outline was written by Larry Taylor, director of Calvary Chapel Bible School, Twin Peaks, California. These are things that he has gleaned by sitting under Pastor Chuck's ministry. We hope that you will be blessed by it, for we feel that it truly represents the heart of Calvary Chapel.

## THINGS I LEARNED FROM MY PASTOR

## I. MINISTRY LESSONS

- A. "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit," says the Lord of hosts. (Zechariah 4:6)
  - 1. Be free of programs and plans
  - 2. Flow with the Lord
  - 3. Glorify Jesus in all things
- B. The servant of the Lord must not strive.
  - 1. Inspiration not perspiration
  - 2. Take ventures of faith
  - 3. If God's not in it, let it go
- C. Blessed are the flexible for they shall not be broken.
  - 1. Be flexible, open
  - 2. Don't get boxed in with schedules
- D. Where God guides He provides.
  - 1. Don't beg for money
  - 2. Be not slothful in business
- E. The greatest in the Kingdom must learn to be the servant of all.
  - 1. The way up is down
  - 2. No flow charts
  - 3. Serve, pick up trash, etc.
  - 4. Open your eyes, do what needs doing.
- F. Minister to others, don't try to get them to minister to you.
  - 1. Feed the flock
  - 2. Serve in love
- G. Sheep beget sheep.
  - 1. Burden for the lost
  - 2. Evangelistic and missionary prayer and zeal
  - 3. But, no programs
  - 4. Well fed sheep will reproduce
- H. Be submissive and loyal.
  - 1. Support those over you
  - 2. Hold up hands
  - 3. Never cause strife or division

- 4. Better to quietly leave
- I. Emphasize what God has done for us, not what we can do for God.
  - 1. Teach and live grace
  - 2. Lead people past yourself into the arms of Jesus
- J. Feed, don't beat, the sheep.
  - 1. Share the pure word of God
  - 2. Share in love
  - 3. Feed those who are there
  - 4. Be careful not to misrepresent God
- K. Present the Word of God in a loving, relaxed, relevant manner.
  - 1. Stay up on current events
  - 2. Be informal, but respectful
- L. Worship is vital.
  - 1. Spirit led worship is essential
  - 2. Worship is not just a warm up
  - 3. Jesus Christ is Lord, Adore Him with us.
- M. Be balanced theologically, avoid extremes like Charismania, Calvinism, etc.
  - 1. Calvary Chapel is a balance between pentecostalism and fundamentalism.
  - 2. And a balance between Arminianis n and Calvinism
- N. Get your people praying and keep them praying.
  - 1. Prayer is the life blood of the ministry
  - 2. The church moves forward on its knees
  - 3. Lord, teach us to pray
- O. When you're confronted with that which you do not understand, fall back on what you do understand.
  - 1. There is much we do not know.
  - 2. Be real and honest with folks
  - 3. Don't pretend to have all the answers
  - 4. Lean on what we do know: God is love, Jesus is Lord, He is always there, etc.
- P. Be a shepherd, not a hireling.
  - 1. Make the folks the best loved, best fed sheep on earth
  - 2. Love is the greatest gift
  - 3. Carry God's people on your heart
  - 4. Care for them
  - 5. Desire what's best for them