

# CHARGE TO ERIC WAKELING

## AS SENIOR PASTOR OF CALVARY CHURCH

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### SCRIPTURE PRESCRIBES THE FOLLOWING FOR THE PASTOR OF A CHURCH:

#### 1 Timothy 6:11-16

<sup>11</sup> But flee from these things, you man of God, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance and gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called, and you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses

*Will you commit to live a holy faithful life as a witness before our church and community?*

#### 2 Timothy 1:12-14

<sup>12</sup> For this reason I also suffer these things, but I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed and I am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day. <sup>13</sup> Retain the standard of sound words which you have heard from me, in the faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup> Guard, through the Holy Spirit who dwells in us, the treasure which has been entrusted to you.

*Will you remain faithful to and never be ashamed of the doctrine and beliefs of Calvary Church?*

#### 2 Timothy 2:15; 4:2-5

<sup>15</sup> Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, accurately handling the word of truth... <sup>2</sup> preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction. <sup>3</sup> For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance to their own desires, <sup>4</sup> and will turn away their ears from the truth and will turn aside to myths. <sup>5</sup> But you, be sober in all things, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

*Will you accurately and patiently teach the full counsel of God's Word and fulfill the ministry God has called you to?*

#### 1 Peter 5:1-4

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, I exhort the elders among you, as your fellow elder and witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the glory that is to be revealed, <sup>2</sup> shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to the will of God; and not for sordid gain, but with eagerness; <sup>3</sup> nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock. <sup>4</sup> And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

*Will you humbly shepherd our church family as a servant of Jesus Christ, our Chief Shepherd, and be an example of His love to our congregation?*

#### 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

<sup>1</sup> And when I came to you, brethren, I did not come with superiority of speech or of wisdom, proclaiming to you the testimony of God. <sup>2</sup> For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified. <sup>3</sup> I was with you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling, <sup>4</sup> and my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, <sup>5</sup> so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God.

*Will you proclaim that testimony of God and know nothing but Jesus Christ and Him crucified and not depend on your own persuasive words of wisdom but serve in the power of the Holy Spirit so our faith rests only in the power of God?*

#### Colossians 1:27-29

... God willed to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup> We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man complete in Christ. <sup>29</sup> For this purpose also I labor, striving according to His power, which mightily works within me

*Will you strive for the ultimate goal of presenting our church family as complete in Christ?*



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## SCRIPTURE PRESCRIBES THE FOLLOWING FOR A CHURCH FAMILY:

### Hebrews 13:17-18

<sup>17</sup> Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you. <sup>18</sup> Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a good conscience, desiring to conduct ourselves honorably in all things.

*Will you honor and obey your pastor and pray for him to live a life honoring Christ?*

### Ephesians 4:1-7

<sup>1</sup> Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, <sup>2</sup> with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, <sup>3</sup> being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

*Will you walk in humility and gentleness, with patience and in love in the unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace?*

### Ephesians 4:15-16

<sup>15</sup> but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

*Will you speak the truth in love and grow in Christ as you serve Him together with the church?*

### Philippians 1:9-11

<sup>9</sup> And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in real knowledge and all discernment, <sup>10</sup> so that you may approve the things that are excellent, in order to be sincere and blameless until the day of Christ; <sup>11</sup> having been filled with the fruit of righteousness which comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

*Will you abound in real knowledge and discernment from God's Word in order to be sincere and blameless until the day of Christ?*

### Philippians 2:1-5

<sup>1</sup> Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, <sup>2</sup> make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; <sup>4</sup> do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. <sup>5</sup> Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus

*Will you humbly and selflessly regard one another as more important than yourself just as Christ does for you?*

### Colossians 3:1-4

<sup>1</sup> Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth. <sup>3</sup> For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

*Will you seek Christ and keep your life focused on the most important matters of His life and will until we are all glorified in Him?*

### FOR US ALL: Matthew 28:18-20

<sup>18</sup> And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. <sup>19</sup> "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

*Will you all commit to making disciples of all nations by teaching everyone to observe all Christ has commanded us?*

