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The Complete Wineskin: Restructuring The Church For The Outpouring Of The Holy Spirit



Synopsis

God is pouring out the Holy Spirit and our wineskins must be changed to handle the new wine. How are apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, and teachers going to rise up and work together? Where do small group meetings fit? Will the Church come together in unity? How does the anointing of God work and what is your role? This book puts into words what you have been sensing in your spirit. (Eberle's best seller, translated in many languages, distributed worldwide.)

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Customer Reviews

Harold Eberle annihilates the status quo and explores the reasons why so many feel "discontent" in the church today. His explanation? The church is spiritually out of order and structured in a way that is ineffective for a New Testament people. But what does "out of order" mean? Harold explains, he also explores the high calling that God has placed on the Body of Christ and the reformation of mind, body and spirit that He seeks to implement. Yet, according to Harold, so much of what goes on in church government, both spiritual and physical, acts as a limiting agent that stifles Gods creative energy that He is birthing in the hearts of His people. Have you ever felt discontent with church even though you are head over heels in love with Christ? Have you ever wondered if there was something wrong with you for thinking "outside of the box" or felt guilty for wanting more? Have you ever been told that you are too much of an idealist and that you need to be more of a realist? If so, I highly recommend you check out The Complete Wineskin. Harold writes in a profoundly simple way that will have you looking up from the pages and crying out for God. Harold biblically explores

and lays the foundation for the deeper things that you are feeling in your spirit. Try it out and test his words, you will see. The Complete Wineskin rocks!

I read this book twice. It opened my eyes not only to my own anointing, but to the anointings of other leaders in our church. I took it to our pastor and he intends to follow the structure suggested in the book. The part that got our attention was that pastors can only shepherd 50 people, so a mega-church must have shepherds for each 50 people. If you are praying for church growth, this book gives the necessary foundation on which to build the growth.

Eberle presents an overview of the five gifts listed in Ephesians 4:11-12 and refers to them as "ministry gifts". He holds that there are only two offices in the church: i.e., elder and deacon. Those who function in ministry gifts comprise the eldership of the church. The author encourages a revolutionary rethinking of church structure to make room for the five-fold ministry. The book is potentially liberating for "pastors" who do not feel that their strength is in the ministry gift of pastoring. This paradigm makes room for those senior church leaders whose strength may actually be in the other four ministry gifts.

For years I have been concerned with the non-biblical traditions that have pervaded the modern day church. The church has built doctrine after doctrine on traditions created by men. This book takes a fresh look at the church today and exposes the more biblical structure that God has ordained for the church. It is a challenge to read and accept the concepts that the author puts forth. The biblical foundations of this book are real and appear to be right on. This should be required reading for all church leaders.

This book takes religion out of the church structure (As God intended it). Groups of believers meeting and organizing this way are having revival. God made it simple, men made it hard. Mr. Eberle brings common sense back to the church in a simple and easy to read format.

If you want to see the Church of Scripture, the Church that God established on Earth that we chose to change, this is the road map back. This is what many theologians will not address. Too many denominational leaders are too fearful to give up control of what they have. (If it didn't matter who would be in charge we could get a lot done) Church has become a preference more than a conviction. If you want to know how to bring the total church together on earth this is your guide.

Lets put the Body of Christ back together. " This do in RE-MEMBERING ME (Rememberance of Me)"

This book offers an eye opening view of the restructuring of the Church. Bottom line: it makes a lot of sense. Understanding our callings and where they fit into the big picture is essential if we are to make an impact on the world around us. This book offers a biblical solution to many of the problems churches face without attacking those that are in leadership. Leaders of the Church and lay-people alike need to read and reread this book.

I recommend this book very much. With the exception on who the book says are Apostles today it gives a very clear understanding of what Apostles and the other gifts are and how they are used by Yahweh.

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