



Why Use a Coach?

A good coach fulfills a biblical shepherding, guiding, advising, teaching, and encourager role and is an integral part of the Body of Christ. A good coach is wise in helping you move forward in maturity and growth, always humbly pointing to Christ and passionately building up God's people, the Church.

Biblical Precedent

The bible sets the precedent of coaches. Here are just a few examples.

Jesus – was the shepherding coach to the original disciples. As the best shepherd coach example, he is knowledgeable, wise, deeply empathetic, relational, committed, a good listener, encouraging, supportive, patient, gentle, direct, bold, clear, conversational, focused on goals (task oriented), focused on learning wisdom (process oriented), and successful in results.

Peter, Paul, and Barnabus – yes they were apostles, and they were also shepherding coaches to the first Church, leaders, pastors, and communities. They provided what each person, church, and group needed at any given time – love, instruction, wisdom, guidance, admonishment, encouragement, supportive objectivity, and valuable resources (labor, people, information, writings, etc.).

"It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers to prepare God's people for works of service so that the body of Christ may be built up and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ." Ephesians 4:11, 12

"Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers..." 1 Peter 5:2

"Now we ask you, brothers, to respect those who work hard among you, who are over you in the Lord and who admonish you." 1 Thessalonians 5:12

Logic and Success

It makes sense! We all need guidance and help at certain points. Utilizing a wise person or team with objectivity, experience, and valuable resources can move us forward in amazing new ways! Good coaches provide effective guidance that results in repeatable successes.

A shepherd coach **helps you in 7 valuable ways:**

1. Empathy – excellent listening and deep understanding about your personal and organizational opportunities and challenges.
2. Commitment – strong loyalty to the Christian relationship with you and goals you want to accomplish.
3. Guidance – deep knowledge (information) and wisdom (how to apply knowledge) about the various issues and complexities of the church and Christian living.
4. Encouragement – powerful support, strength, and cheering you on to keep you moving forward.
5. Perspective – a mature, objective perspective to help you see things clearer – the risks, dangers, options, and opportunities along the path.
6. Processing – effective discussion and reflection time with you to understand what is happening and define wise choices.
7. Accountability – holding you accountable to actions and knowledge God has given you.



Advantages to Using a TTC Coach

Here are the top 10 advantages for using TTC shepherd coaching services. There are many more.

1. **Biblical principles.** Using Jesus' message to the 7 churches in the Book of Revelation, and other scriptures that specifically address Christian maturity and Church growth, we utilize the inherent principles to guide the shepherding coaching. No other organization (that we currently know of) uses the Revelation scriptures.
2. **Good stewardship of time and money.** The processes ultimately save churches time and money. By using our robust expertise and materials, churches become more effective in overall methods, approach, and strategies, while using resources more prudently. Churches can avoid years of potential trial and error, large amounts of staff time, and expending valuable church resources. Churches will also avoid using ineffective tools and methods, avoid re-inventing the wheel, avoid going down dangerous strategic paths, and avoid making costly planning mistakes.
3. **Growth spiritually and numerically.** Through the process, God is blessing churches in astonishing ways with deeper spiritual maturity, increased community size, and balanced internal health as they apply these biblical principles. Obedience bears abundant fruit.
4. **God confirmed alignment.** Before coming along side anyone or any Church, we first carefully look for several confirmations that God is bringing you and TTC together – we follow similar steps that Jesus took when deciding to go somewhere or help someone. In TTC we look for confirmation through prayer, scripture, peace, team agreement, and confirmation of God's call. In the other, we look for a sincere request, a clear need, humility, commitment, a good synergy with coaching and resources that we provide, and available financial and time resources.
5. **Trusted organization.** TTC comes from roots in several prestigious Christian Evangelical organizations. The team has been providing ministry for many years and is trusted throughout the Christian community for developing spiritual maturity and Church health.
6. **Experienced and committed coaches / consultants.** Our coaches have been in ministry for many years. The team consists of mature Christians with strong prayer and devotional lives. The team has extensive education and experience with coaching, consulting, mentoring, educating, and training.
7. **Ownership of robust resources.** The processes include many customizable resources of which you would become owner, when engaging with TTC – these include (but are not limited to):
 1. Vision & growth methods and tools
 2. Assessment of church health and individual spiritual health
 3. Leadership assessments and development resources
 4. Teambuilding assessments and resources
 5. Evangelism course / seminar – apologetics resources
 6. Discipling Others course / seminar
 7. Infrastructure (group size and dynamics) assessments
 8. Infrastructure (group size and dynamics) development resources
 9. Media and informational resources – PowerPoint slide shows, formatted documents, formatted reports, seminars, courses, articles.



10. And others...
8. **Increased deep knowledge and skills.** TTC processes facilitate knowledge and skills growth – these include (but are not limited to):
 1. How to be spiritually healthy – as individual Christians and as a Church.
 2. How to define an effective mission and vision statement.
 3. How to develop effective leaders.
 4. How to build effective teams.
 5. How to build effective followers.
 6. How to create an effective disciple definition.
 7. How to create effective Disciplemaking environments.
 8. How to disciple others.
 9. How to create an effective outreach strategy and implement it.
 10. How to establish and maintain commitment and loyalty from staff and congregation.
 11. How to create relational "community" in the church.
 12. How to get the entire church infrastructure working smoothly together – including all leaders, congregation, administrators, small, medium, and large groups.
 13. How to integrate various church growth models and materials.
 14. How to resolve conflicts and accomplish ongoing peace and unity.
 15. And others...
9. **A flexible process that compliments various ministry models and methods.** TTC works in conjunction with any Evangelical teaching or church model. The process actually will compliment and possibly improve any given model or method. It is currently being used with various models and methods.
10. **A flexible process that compliments various denominations and doctrines.** TTC works in conjunction with a wide range of Evangelical teachings and church growth models. Our team is successfully assisting different Christian denominations and types of churches.

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