

frailty and carries on His shoulders him who out of weakness is no longer able to walk (not the lazy, the lukewarm), until he has regained his strength. For the SAVIOUR knows our human weakness and He has, as you know, become man Himself, and He will very quickly and compassionately come to our aid if we cry for help in our weakness.

His Own Know Him

The Good Shepherd will give His flock a lead. „When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice.“ (John 10,4) Again and again He lets the flock pass in order to observe if a little sheep is lame or tired. Then He instructs His assistants and again leads the flock. Likewise father and mother are appointed by GOD to be shepherds of their children. Yet how often is it that they, instead of setting an example, drive forward their children and those entrusted to them with blows, waving their hands about, ranting and raving. The pope, bishop, priest, spiritual superiors and others hold the pastoral office according to their mission. GOD will one day ask of them: „Give an account of your ministry!“ Let us again with increasing frequency be careful so to live up to our pastoral office as to satisfy the SAVIOUR about the way in which we tend and lead His sheep and lambkins. Amen!



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**Be blessed by GOD TRINITY,
the + FATHER and the + SON
and the + HOLY GHOST. Amen!**

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Sermon of the *Sword-Bishop*

The Good Shepherd

My beloved, CHRIST is and remains the Good Shepherd. There will never be a second. However, it is GOD's will that the ministry of the good shepherd should be represented on earth. This is in the first place the Pope but it is also the bishops that, apart from the authoritative office of teaching and of priesthood, hold the pastoral office as well. They carry the pastoral staff. The priests also should be good shepherds.

Many believe that a good shepherd must sweet-talk all the time, show endless patience and understanding for everything. My beloved, this is not what makes a good shepherd stand out. At this moment I have a mental picture: „Every little sheep coming to confession after having lapsed into sin is bloodstained, torn by wolves. The greater the sin, the deeper and more horrible the wounds. Satan, the ravening wolf, is already wreaking havoc among the flock of CHRIST and his harvest is terrible! There are numerous shepherds who have removed the fences and have abandoned the little sheep to the wolves.“

You know that a time has been prophesied when Satan and his followers will visibly appear and from the horror-stricken people while they are alive tear out the souls which belong to him. Is this not already happening today? – Being a good shepherd therefore means protecting the sheep from the ravening wolves, and that at the risk of one's life, with willingness to make sacrifices, by unconditionally bearing witness to the teaching of CHRIST, by pressing for the Commandments of GOD. „I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. He who is a hireling and not a shepherd who owns the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf attacks them and scatters them.“ (John 10,11f)

We know the SAVIOUR, how He as the Good Shepherd carries the weakened lambkin on His shoulders. The Good Shepherd is aware of human