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Dear friend of Shepherd's Canyon Retreat Ministry,

One of the most famous ministry leaders in the Bible was Moses. Did you realize that **Moses was so burned out at one point that he wanted God to take away his life?** Moses was angry with God and complained about the heavy burden God has laid on him. He said to God in Numbers 11:15, **"If this is how you are going to treat me, please go ahead and kill me."**

Moses was overwhelmed with his responsibilities. Even Moses' father-in-law saw this problem and told Moses, "What you are doing is not good...you will only wear yourself out. **The work is too heavy for you; you cannot handle it alone."**

We have many ministry leaders who come to Shepherd's Canyon Retreat who are like Moses. They're good leaders, but they are overwhelmed and are looking for help.

So how did God take care of Moses? He told him to gather 70 elders and "they shall bear the burden of the people with you, so that you may not bear it yourself alone."

I spoke to nearly 100 men at a men's retreat at Camp Lakeview in Indiana a few weeks ago. My topic was "How to Care for Your Pastor." I was so impressed that these men were so interested in caring for their pastors. After the talk, many men came up to me and said one of two things:

- 1. My pastor really needs to go to one of your counseling retreats. OR they said...
- 2. Your talk has motivated me to support my pastor, so he DOESN'T NEED to go to one of your retreats. © Praise God!

We recently finished our 128th retreat. On the last day I overheard one of our guests say to another guest, "You sure look different than you did when you came here a week ago. You're smiling and you're standing up straight." Who knows what internal changes God made? What a difference He can make in a week! What a difference your gift can make!

I am so grateful to God for the work He does through this ministry! Thank you for your financial and prayerful support! Many hands make light work and YOU are making a difference in the lives of pastors, ministry leaders and spouses, who, like Moses, needed some help!

Thank you!

Rev. Kevin Bueltmann, Executive Director of Shepherd's Canyon Retreat

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