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Preventing and Investigating Allegations of Pastoral Malpractice

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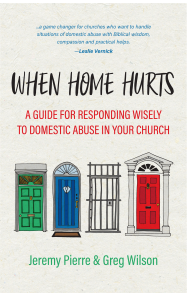

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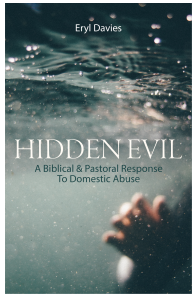

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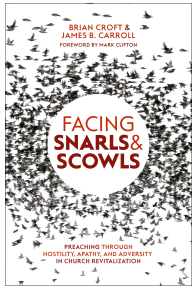

DESCRIPTION

Good spiritual leadership is vital to the health of a church. When leaders misuse their position and are controlling, egotistical and proud, they abuse the trust they have been given by the Lord. Abuse of power is not a new phenomenon however, it is an ancient biblical category, and must be addressed. Edited by Graham Nicholls, this practical guide for church leaders brings together a variety of authors with relevant experience.

MARKETING POINTS

Multiple authors with relevant experience

Highlights ways malpractice can occur

Practical ways to develop healthy procedures

AUTHOR

Graham Nicholls is Director of Affinity, an organisation seeking to promote Christian unity and partnership throughout the British Isles. Graham provides strategic leadership of the ministry teams, and he regularly writes and speaks in the media. He is also one of the Pastors of Christ Church Haywards Heath and preaches there regularly. He is married to Caroline and has three grown up children.

ENDORSEMENTS

I pray that this book will help us, by God's grace, to prevent the trauma of abuse by and of pastors from ever occurring in the culture of our churches but also to handle this sin in a healthier way, with the godly seriousness it deserves, when it does rear its ugly, gospel–denying head.

Lee Gatiss
Director of Church Society, and Adjunct Lecturer in Church History, Union School of Theology, Bridgend, Wales

Blending biblical depth, theological orthodoxy, gospel conviction, and pastoral concern, the authors navigate a field often dismissed by conservative evangelicals for miring itself in therapeutic language. … the love for the bride of Christ is obvious from start to finish.

Stephen McAlpine
National Communicator: Third Space

This book is full of practical advice on creating a church culture that is healthy, positive and safe. I'm especially pleased to see it coming from the independent church community, but there is valuable guidance here for churches more widely.

Marcus Honeysett
Director of Living Leadership and author, Kent, England

This book ought to be essential reading for the leaders of churches and organisations, and will challenge and encourage them to foster a healthy culture in which everyone can flourish.

John Stevens
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