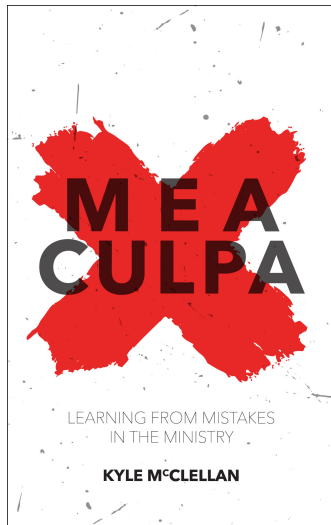


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## Learning from Mistakes in the Ministry

*Kyle McClellan*

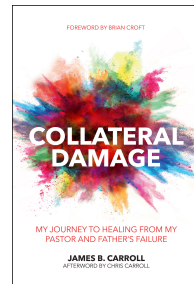
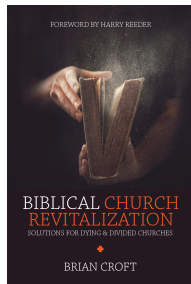
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Practical resource for Pastors

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### AUTHOR

Kyle McClellan is the founding pastor of Grace Church (PCA) in his hometown of Fremont, Nebraska. He is an occasional contributor to Practical Shepherding, an organization committed to equipping pastors in practical matters of pastoral ministry.

### ENDORSEMENTS

The greatest strength of this book is its honesty: McClellan's confession is no half-hearted exercise in false humility, no exercise in serving up facile platitudes. In a clear and everywhere colorful fashion, he blames no one but himself for his decade of sojourning in pastoral ministry. Presently McClellan serves as pastor of Grace Church (PCA), a church he founded in his hometown of Fremont, Nebraska. He is learning to apply seven valuable and hard-won lessons he learned during his first decade of ministry. These lessons make up the heart of the book and show he's indeed learned hard-to-come-by virtues of humility and wisdom-all while smoldering in the cauldron of ministerial affliction caused to a great degree, he says, by ministerial malpractice. Brutally honest and insightful.

The Gospel Coalition

... short, easy to read, with seven lessons that Kyle McClellan learned from four pastorates that lasted a total of just ten years ... writes with the maturity of a godly pastor who recognises where he (and sometimes where the churches he served) went wrong. Worth a read.

Evangelicals Now

Kyle is not afraid to lay out his game film for all to see here in this book. I am sure that each chapter was hard to write and brought up memories that were hard to relive. But I am certain that through his honesty and the lessons that he has personally learned through his mistakes, many pastors are going to be helped.

If you're in ministry, or thinking about entering the ministry, I think that this would be a helpful book for you. At just 100 pages, it's an easy read, but one that may help you avoid some of the mistakes that Kyle made, and the heartache (for you and your people) associated with them.

Zack Ford, Youth Pastor, Grace Bible Church

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The more I work with pastors all around the world, the more I am finding that those who have terrible experiences pastoring a church often leave the ministry altogether. [www.thegospelcoalition.org](http://www.thegospelcoalition.org) is just too much. Such is not the case for my dear friend, Kyle McClellan, who writes this book to help other pastors avoid the same mistakes he made.