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Understanding the Five-Fold Ministry: God's System for the Equipping, Edification, Empowerment, and Expansion of The Body of Christ.

10. Chapter 7 — The Teacher: The Trainer

This chapter argues that as the Church prepares for a coming revival, qualified Bible teachers are essential to disciple the flood of new believers. It lays out who is fit to teach, what disqualifies a person, and what marks an effective teacher of God's Word.

Key takeaways

- Teaching includes Evangelists and Pastors, who must be able to teach biblically — but being a teacher alone does not qualify someone for Five-Fold Ministry.
- Qualifications to teach: born again, given to study, spiritually mature, given to fasting and prayer, holy and disciplined, and submitted to a covering. A novice is disqualified.
- Teachers don't just relay the Word — they present God's revelation, promises, will, and heart, expounding it and answering the questions listeners will have.
- An effective teacher provokes real change: deeper prayer, hunger to study, changed mindset and behavior, and discovery of one's purpose in God's plan.

- Marks of an effective teacher: can explain doctrine, answer questions (humbly researching what they don't know), read the room, communicate clearly, and remain a student themselves.
- You must first be taught, trained, and cultivated yourself — 'you can't take anyone anywhere you have not yourself been.'

Passages worth keeping

"An effective Bible teacher will teach until it provokes change in behavior and mindset."

Defines the chapter's standard for teaching — transformation, not just information.

How it connects

The chapter frames teaching as discipleship in action: a cycle where Word-inspired teachers produce hungry students who mature and spread the Word to the next generation.

Scripture referenced

- **2 Timothy 2:15** -- Study to be an approved workman, rightly dividing the word of truth.
- **Proverbs 9:9** -- Chapter epigraph — instruct the wise and they grow wiser.
- **2 Timothy 3:16** -- All Scripture is God-inspired and profitable for doctrine and instruction.

- **Matthew 28:20** -- The Great Commission mandate to teach obedience to Christ's commands.
- **Luke 6:40** -- The disciple becomes like his teacher — why the teacher's own formation matters.