

1. Introduction to Adolescent Pastoral Care

a. Understand

Use a sentence to describe five different aspects of pastoral care:

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ii.

iii.

iv.

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b. Reflect



Assess the extent to which you offer pastoral care to young people as demonstrated by Jesus Himself. Respond to the statements below by placing an "x" on the line:

Never Seldom Sometimes Often Always

"I accept young people as they are and provide _____ care, not condemnation."

"I confront sin in young people in a clear _____ but non-judgemental way."

"I generally notice when young people are in _____ need and I look to be part of the solution."

"I offer hope to the anxious through my willing- _____ ness to help and my confidence in God's promises."

"I am attracted to caring for those people whom _____ others may tend to avoid or dismiss."

"I give particular attention to young people who _____ might easily be overlooked."

c. Apply

Assess your youth ministry's effectiveness in providing pastoral care in the light of the characteristics of a pastoral care programme. What are the "gaps"? What can be done to improve your effectiveness in caring for young people? Are there new models you can adopt? (Minimum 100 words):