



Overlooked Heresies Used by Predators in Spiritual Abuse

A reflection guide for podcast listeners

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Heresies of Predators	The Shepherd's Truth
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Father-God exercises buck-stop authority in the Trinity.2. Power is meant to be centralized, usually up into authority structures. Corollary: salvation is found through power.3. It's more important to obey (or be loyal) to external authority than to listen to God's voice inside you.4. Humans need to fit into pre-set roles and structures (reflecting gender, roles, and other categories).5. Your body is corrupt, evil, and misleading by nature.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Each member of the Trinity works in harmony and unity.2. God has always shared power, with the decentralized work of the Church being the latest chapter. Gifts are meant to be diverse. Salvation is spread through love and service.3. God sends the Spirit to guide and teach every person.4. God gives every human a unique purpose, along with the power and responsibility necessary to pursue that purpose (agency).5. Our bodies are the temple of God — both guide and resource for navigating life. Our spiritual experience is embodied by design. Our bodies are the space where heaven meets earth.