Doctrine/Theology spotlight

 I have searched and can find very little actual Doctrine of Pastoral Care!

1. How does the worship in your church express the Pastoral Care offered by and to its members?

2) ‘One important doctrine in the Bible is that God became a human being in Jesus and from his example believers are said to be like single body ( see 1Corinthians 12:12). This means we need each other; we are all of equal status, and our unavoidable response to that is that we care for each other.’ Is this true in your church?

(from an article by Francis Bridger in ‘New Dictionary of Christian Ethics and Pastoral Theology’ IVP, (1995))

3)As we do the work of care and learn about the gifts, the needs and the care of the most vulnerable children among us, we will deepen our understanding of care for less vulnerable people and the environment in which they live. We will find new connections between caring for children and caring for families, communities and nations, the world and the earth’

 Pamela Courture, in ‘Seeing Children, seeing God’ ( 2000) Quoted in The New Dictionary of Christian Ethics and Pastoral Theology IVP 1995

 ’While scriptures identify care as a basic expression of faith in God, theologies determine what is meant by care’ (James Poling in ‘The New Dictonary of Pastoral Studies’ Ed Wesley Carr (2002)

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‘Christs is the world in which we move ( John Bell)

We cannot Measure How you Heal ( John Bell)