The words of a talebearer are like tasty trifles that go deep into the body; they go deep into the subconscious mind. Fervent lips with a wicked heart are like clay pots covered with a cheap silver coating, he deceives himself by disguising with his lips who he hates. When he says kind things, do not believe him, because there are seven abominations in his heart: Though his hatred is concealed by deceit, his wickedness will be revealed before the assembly. Whoever digs a pit will fall into it, and he who rolls a stone will have it roll back on him. A lying tongue hates those who are crushed by it, and a flattering mouth works ruin.

Proverbs 26

It is hard for a Jesus loving Christian to honestly believe that a kindly speaking leader with a great knowledge and understanding of the Bible, who talks fervently about the Lord, can be motivated by a sinister and wicked heart and whose seared conscience is carefully concealed from almost all of them. A sincere Christian naturally won’t suspect the minister, preacher, teacher, pastor, or reverend is unscrupulously lying and flattering in utter hypocrisy to harm innocent people, and secretly hates those who are crushed by the lies and flattery. Some leaders really do prefer others to fear them, rather than love them.

Just like any other institution or organization, Christian church institutions have always drawn leaders who want to selfishly control. Christians, especially those with struggles, make a good target. They are more cooperative. They want to please leaders who they think are godly. Many of these Christians have tender consciences.

“Right” becomes obeying the leader, regardless if they deserve it or not. Leaders couldn’t get away with this type of abuse in a large corporation or government without some repercussions or accountability. But in a Church they DO get away with it for a
long, long time, if they surround themselves with a strong support group who protects their control over the pulpit.

What better group to control than the proverbial group of dumb sheep!

The person who lusts for control over others has to learn how to act, learn the lingo and scripture, and be a good talker. He doesn’t even have to actually be a Christian himself. This man will strut himself towards the pulpit, the perceived place of authority and control over others, and by trickery and false doctrine deceive the hearts of the simple; “the unsuspecting”; those who, as the Religious Sociopath sees them, are disabled with tender consciences.

**Religious Sociopaths** relate to true Christians as wolves relate to sheep. The Bible warns of this. Wolves will come to divide and scatter sheep. The apostle Paul warned Christians in his day for three years, day and night with tears, knowing wolves would come and leaders will rise up within their midst, twisting the truth to mislead so they can get their own following. The apostle Peter also warned of this happening.

It’s not if, but when.

**What better disguise for a wolf than as a shepherd of the flock!** The sheep tend to think the pastor is there to herd them, guard them, take care of them, and minister to their needs as a shepherd does over his flock. The wolf knows this and conveys it; he exudes it; he radiates love and concern, and he projects humility of wanting to help others, and preaches with charisma that as their Shepherd he needs to be submitted to, trusted, and pitied when others are against him. The Shepherd’s costume is his disguise. He is a false shepherd, a deceitful worker, turning them away from the true Shepherd.

**A Religious Sociopath** is a highly intelligent person who is manipulative and cunning with superficial charm. Justifying his selfish motivations as permissible because “God wants me to do it for the good of the group,” he does not recognize the rights of others. His motivation is sometimes revealed in the indecent ridicule of humiliating victims, justifying it by saying he needs to “keep order” or to “protect his flock.” If he can get away with the ridicule, he gains more control.

**A Religious Sociopath** enjoys the opportunities to intimidate and ridicule, relishing the fear followers have of him as a powerful leader with secret delight. When wrongdoing is committed by devoted followers, it is just another opportunity to humiliate them, but he needs to mask his secret pleasure of it.

**Religious Sociopaths** feel they are entitled to have their way, since it is their right to abuse people. Being extremely sophisticated liars, they decide to believe their own lies at will. They are extremely refined in their quickly thought out persuasive answers, knowing to whom and when they can lie and get away with it. Friends and other people
are just opportunities to exploit and control. They do have friends for many years, but the friends all end up as victims because a Religious Sociopath does not truly love others. The love, friendliness, and compassion is feigned. It is actually hatred. There is no remorse for those who are hurt or crushed by them. They don't truly empathize, but have contempt, disdain, and scorn for others and for God. The sympathy is feigned.

A Religious Sociopath has total control over a group. He quickly claims a very dominant style of leadership, claiming his authority cannot be challenged or questioned, just as God can't be challenged or questioned. In time, he comes to believe he is a powerful person who knows so much more than his followers. His followers simply have to obey. He is entitled to their obedience. There is no personal respect for the lives of others, their dreams, their relationships. He is indifferent to the damage caused to others, and as needed, blames them for the carnage he, the Religious Sociopath, caused.

A Religious Sociopath preaches and believes the Holy Spirit is using only him, and the Holy Spirit in practice cannot teach others, motivate others, or comfort them. Only the Religious Sociopath can teach and provide comfort; all others need to go through him or the leaders who follow him. He loves deception and is intimately familiar with mind control techniques.

A Religious Sociopath says what it takes to satisfy people for the moment, but does not follow through or deliver on promises. He conceals his deep contempt for sincere Christians as he politely helps them understand what he wants them to do.

A Religious Sociopath is deeply insecure, having his own deep seated fears. He is highly intelligent and only puts himself in situations where his dictator type behavior will be tolerated or even admired. When he is caught, he mildly apologizes to diffuse the concerns as he embezzles pity to escape accountability, and then tries to continue on to cause more damage.

A Religious Sociopath seeks to look as normal as possible, fitting in with his lingo and clothing to deceive, charm, and disarm with his charisma. His true goal is to serve the seven abominations in his heart: A proud look, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that are swift in running to evil, a false witness who speaks lies, and sowing discord within Christian groups. He will accuse those who oppose him of what he is guilty of to avoid detection. If he portrays this himself, he won't last. To get away with it, he needs a disguise, he needs to deceive. Shepherd's clothing is an excellent camouflage, a miry pit disguised as a watering hole.

A Religious Sociopath wants to control every aspect of his victim’s lives for his own self gratification, concealing it within lengthy messages, scripture woven with truth and lies to conceal the true motivations. This brew of truth and perversion allows him to gain the confidence of sincere Christians who know the Bible, and then slowly deceive them with false doctrine over time.
Religious Sociopaths crave the admiration and approval of others, but at the same time hate those who they control with their deception. Their doctrine is motivated by their licentious lust for control; for the need to have even more naive victims who will willingly do what they ask. They feel no remorse for the devastation in people's lives and relationships, just as Proverbs 26 states.

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