

The Guide to

Messy

Ministry

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Definition

Messy Ministry happens when you realize that **everyone** is completely messed up and desperately needs the Love of Jesus

The Three Step Plan (very scientific)

Step 1

Woo-Hoo!

Step 2

Ick!

Step 3

Woo-Hoo!

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“Hands – On”

Example

Messy Ministry Example

**The REALITES of
MESSY
MINISTRY
(gasps allowed!)**

1st Reality

**You Might Have
to Talk to
someone.....**

**Who isn't a
Lutheran....**



**Who isn't a
Christian.....**

**Who doesn't
even believe in
God....**

**And who's body
is covered with
tatoos....**

**And is dealing
with multiple
addictions...**

**Who is in tears
because they feel
like no one could
love them because
of all the poor
choices they have
made**

And you sit...

....and you listen

...and you cry with them

**...and you pray with
them**

**...and you offer them
your number**

2nd Reality

**Messy Ministry
doesn't always
happen on Sunday
Mornings**

3rd Reality

**Messy Ministry
Might Involve
other
Churches**

4th Reality

**Messy Ministry
means to lovingly
hold each other
accountable**

5th Reality

Messy Ministry
sometimes means
you **redefine** **the**
meaning of
success

6th Reality

**Messy Ministry means
that sometimes**

you will get :

Hurt

Burnt

Betrayed

CONCLUSION

**WHAT PART OF THE 3
STEP PLAN HAVE WE
BEEN TALKING ABOUT?**

CONCLUSION

**WHAT IS STILL
TO COME?**

CONCLUSION

THE NOW &

NOT YET

WOO-HOO!

CONCLUSION

**THE MESSY
MINISTRY
CHALLENGE**