



To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter as a recommendation for Cameron Martin. I've known Cameron for around 16 years and have seen him in various ministry positions and even vocational positions. There are few people I know to be as connected to God, competent, capable, gifted, and equipping as a pastor as Cameron Martin. If you would take the time to read this letter, I would love to highlight some of those things about him that were mentioned above.

First, Cameron is connected to God. He has a true and genuine relationship with God. He prays. One of my favorite things about Cameron is how he prays in public. Even after preaching a sermon, you'll often catch him pausing mid prayer, and just sitting in the silence. He is practicing a stillness before God in order to hear from him. I've learned so much about prayer from listening to those pauses. Cameron works on his relationship with God. He knows scripture well. Besides my father, I don't remember many men in my teen years encouraging me to read the Bible as much as he did. I could go on and on about Cameron's relationship with the Lord. This man is connected to God and taught me what that looks like, simply by watching him throughout my life.

Second Cameron is competent, capable, and gifted. I include those three together because of the similarities of those categories. He knows a lot about scripture, a lot about people, a lot about ministry, and a lot about leadership. Leaders are readers, and he certainly fits this criteria. He's also capable. I include this word, because from working in ministry (as a volunteer, bi-vocationally, and full time) over the years, not every leader is capable. Not everyone needs to be capable of being entrusted with every task. Cameron is. There's not enough space in this letter to go through the countless types of ministry work I've watched Cameron do over the years, and not only just do, but complete with excellency. This also points to his giftedness, but not only is he gifted in that way. He's a gifted communicator and teacher of the word, a gifted strategist, and a gifted musician, a gifted friend and people person.

Cameron is also an equipper and baton passer. Ephesians 4:12 says that leaders in the church are called "*to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,*". Again, from my work in churches over the years in various capacities, I've seen a lot of leaders that do ministry, but not a lot of leaders that equip the whole church for the work of the ministry. He equips and encourages people to do the ministry with the giftings that God has given them. Cameron believes everyone is a minister of reconciliation, not just the paid staff of a church. I cannot stress this enough. There are few people that have poured into me and equipped me for ministry like Cameron. He helped me to become the leader and pastor I am today. Without his guiding hand in my teen years and early twenties, I don't know where I'd be as a pastor, or if I would even be a pastor. About 8 years ago, me and some other friends moved to Flagstaff to plant a church. I say this not to highlight any

work I've done, but to highlight Cameron. Right now our church is around 300 or so people and those people amaze me at the light they are in the city. I am one of two full time pastors on staff. Our church would not exist, or it would be a complete mess, or have a lot less impact if it wasn't for Cameron's equipping of me. I truly believe that. Cameron's discipleship of me has helped create a whole new church of people seeking to make disciples in the city of Flagstaff (which is a hard city for the church to grow and exist in). To this day I quote Cameron's leadership ideals and wisdoms in order to equip people. To this day, I make every effort to pass the baton to the next generation of leaders because I watched how well he did that over the years.

I could go on forever about Cameron. I truly could. This letter only touches the surface of who he is. Any church that has Cameron in it, has a church carrying out discipleship to greater degrees, a leader who will inspire people toward passionate relationship with God, and to greater evangelism of their neighbors and the world. I love Cameron and am so thankful for God putting someone in my life in my teenage years who "seeks first the kingdom".

Sincerely,

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