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1. It is as if Pastors do not know the vocation of herding. The evil they continually spew against herdsmen really show them off as having poor Bible knowledge. Herdsmen is a common vocation throughout biblical times or do you now deny the scriptures? Let us go on a lesson/

2. Gen 4: 20 "Adah bore Jabal; he was the father of the nomadic herdsmen."

Do you know that Shepherds are same as Herdsmen?

Abraham and Jacob, Moses and King David were all Herdsmen.

Do you know also that Herdsmen have always quarrelled over pasture for grazing? More lessons:

Gen 13:7 "and there was quarreling between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Lot's livestock. At that time the Canaanites and the Perizzites were living in the land.

Mediation was also the tool for resolution of conflicts:

Gen 13: 8-"Then Abram said to Lot, "Please, let's not have quarreling between you and me, or between your herdsmen and my herdsmen, since we are relatives."

Gen 26: 20 "But the herdsmen of Gerar quarreled with Isaac's herdsmen and said, "The water is ours!" So he named the well Quarrel because they quarreled with him."

Gen 26:21 "When his workers started digging another well, those herdsmen quarreled about that one, too."

2 Chronicles 14:15 "They also attacked the tents of the herdsmen and captured many sheep and camels. Then they returned to Jerusalem."/

3. It is known also from the Bible how fervently Shepherds look after their sheep. After all Our Lord Jesus Christ said "I am the good shepherd; the good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep."

4. The herdsman's responsibility in tending his flocks was & still is 1) to guide them to fertile areas, 2) to make sure the flocks could get to water, & 3) to protect them from wild beasts & robbers.

So there is no reason under the sun for Pastors to act as if herdsmen are evil

5. Herdsmen who commit crimes are criminals, they may be Fulani, Yoruba or Igbo, they are criminals. Pastors should not use herdsmen as excuse to attack Fulani as a tribe. Where in scriptures do we find anyone despising shepherds. Shepherds in the fields proclaimed Christ's birth/

6. May God put Christ into our hearts as Christians. Hatred is not of Christ, it is of the devil. Let us jointly fight crime in Nigeria and stop naming any particular tribe to specific crimes.