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»Seek first the Kingdom of God,« is what Jesus said – and not: Seek first a common order of worship, a new deanery homepage or a change in the diocesan structure. Rolf Zerfass' texts correct the Church priorities: The Kingdom of God comes first and with it the promise of a fulfilled and solidary life for all people!

In his statements, the outlines of a new pastoral culture become visible in which orders of worship, deanery homepages and diocesan structures change – from a basic diaconal orientation of the entire pastoral ministry. This is an encouraging book for everyone who believes that the Gospel still has a life- liberating power.



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