



I don't mean to shock you with this revelation first thing in the morning, but there is no such thing as the perfect pastor. Much as I hate to admit it, we all have room for improvement. That is why every pastor needs leaders who will hold them accountable. Most pastors are grateful for honest, constructive criticism. But, like any leader, sometimes pastors get less-than-helpful feedback from their people.

Thom Rainer is a church consultant and former pastor, so he has been on both sides of the pulpit. He understands the reasons that people complain about their pastors and the reasons pastors sometimes think those complaints are bonkers. On his blog, he listed some of the more unusual complaints people have brought to their pastors:

"I don't like the brand of donuts in the foyer."

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