

An Exercise in Examining the Definition of the Word “Minister”

	Secular Definitions	Religious Definitions
Lay Person	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - (n.) A representative of a government, sent to the court, or seat of government, of a foreign nation to transact diplomatic business[1] - (n.) One to whom the sovereign or executive head of a government intrusts the management of affairs of state, or some department of such affairs.[2] - (n.) A servant; a subordinate; an officer or assistant of inferior rank; hence, an agent, an instrument.[3] - (n.) To furnish or apply; to afford; to supply; to administer.[4] - (v. i.) To act as a servant, attendant, or agent; to attend and serve; to perform service in any office, sacred or secular[5]. - (v. i.) To supply or to things needful; esp., to supply consolation or remedies.[6] - intransitive verb give help: to give help to somebody in need (formal)[7] - transitive verb give something: to administer something, for example, aid, medicine, or a sacrament (archaic)[8] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - (n.) An officer of justice.[9] - (v. i.) To act as a servant, attendant, or agent; to attend and serve; to perform service in any office, sacred or secular[10]. - (v. i.) To supply or to things needful; esp., to supply consolation or remedies.[11] - verb: work as a minister (Example: "She is ministering in an old parish")[12] - intransitive verb give help: to give help to somebody in need (formal)[13] - transitive verb give something: to administer something, for example, aid, medicine, or a sacrament (archaic)[14] - (n.) A servant; a subordinate; an officer or assistant of inferior rank; hence, an agent, an instrument (i.e. an instrument of God).[15]

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Clergy Person (Religious Definitions)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- AGENT, i.e. a : one that acts or exerts power; b : something that produces or is capable of producing an effect : an active or efficient cause; c : one who is authorized to act for or in the place of another: as a : a representative, emissary, or official of a government[16]- (n.) A servant; a subordinate; an officer or assistant of inferior rank; hence, an agent, an instrument (i.e. an instrument of God).[17]- (n.) An officer of justice.[18]- (n.) One who serves at the altar; one who performs sacerdotal duties; the pastor of a church duly authorized or licensed to preach the gospel and administer the sacraments. [19]- noun [C] (in various Christian churches) a person who leads religious ceremonies; noun [U] the job of being a religious leader[20]- one officiating or assisting the officiant in church worship b : a clergyman especially of a Protestant communion[21]- (v. i.) To act as a servant, attendant, or agent; to attend and serve; to perform service in any office, sacred or secular.[22]- (v. i.) To supply or to things needful; esp., to supply consolation or remedies.[23]- noun: a person authorized to conduct religious worship[24]- verb: work as a minister (Example: "She is ministering in an old parish")[25]- verb: attend to the wants and needs of others (Example: "I have to minister to my mother all the time")[26]- christianity member of clergy: a member of the clergy of a Christian, especially Protestant, church[27]- intransitive verb give help: to give help to somebody in need (formal)[28]- transitive verb give something: to administer something, for example, aid, medicine, or a sacrament (archaic)[29]- intransitive verb christianity do religious minister's work: to perform the duties of a member of the clergy[30]- the superior of one of several religious orders -- called also minister-general b : the assistant to the rector or the bursar of a Jesuit house[31]
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