

Jesus and Leadership



How do people typically define **successful Leadership** today?

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How does the life of Jesus define Leadership?

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Jesus is the center...

Colossians 1:15-20

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Jesus understood His identity...

Sovereign

Savior

Satisfier

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His **identity** drove his **activity**...*framed His Mission & fueled His Leadership...*

Philippians 2:5-11

His identity must define our **identity** and drive our **activity**...
This must... *frame our Mission & fuel our Leadership...*

Philippians 2:1-5

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He commissions **us** to join him...

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*“The times that we look most like **Jesus** are when we are serving others.”*

-Scott Bruns - Scioto Hills Camp

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Colossians 1:28-29

Him we **proclaim**,

warning everyone

and **teaching** everyone with all wisdom,

that we may **present everyone mature in Christ.**

For this I **toil**, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

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2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for

teaching,

for **reproof,**

for **correction,**

and for **training in righteousness,**

that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

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1 Thessalonians 5:14

And we urge you, brothers,

admonish the idle,

encourage the fainthearted,

help the weak,

be patient with them all.

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How fit am I for **Christ-like Leadership**?

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Let's take inventory... Not many of you should become teachers...for we will be judged with greater strictness. James 3:1

- *Have you ever broken a bad habit? To lead others you must master your appetites.*
- *Do you keep self-control when things go wrong? The leader who loses control under adversity forfeits respect and influence. A leader must be calm in crisis and resilient in disappointment.*
- *Can you handle criticism? Can you profit from it? The humble person can learn from petty criticism, even malicious criticism.*
- *Do you readily gain the cooperation of others and win their respect and confidence?*
- *Are you a peacemaker? A leader must be able to reconcile with opponents and make peace where arguments have created hostility.*
- *Can you induce people to do happily some legitimate thing that they would not normally wish to do?*
- *Can you make and keep friends? Your circle of loyal friends is an index of your leadership potential.*
- *Do you depend on the praise of others to keep you going?*
- *Are you tactful? Can you anticipate how your words will affect a person?*
- *Are you reasonably optimistic? Pessimism and leadership do not mix.*
- *Can you forgive? Or do you nurse resentments and harbor ill-feelings toward those who have injured you?*
- *Do you welcome responsibility?*

*“Do you seek to use people to **grow** your influence or use your influence to **cultivate** people?”*

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*Do you simply **take** people at face value, or do you **dream** about what they could become?*

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*Are you willing to experience **hardship** for someone else's sanctification?*

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As a result of what I have learned today, how must I **grow**?

What must **change** take place in my thinking to more closely align my definition of **successful Leadership** with God's?

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How will I **know** that I have not wasted it?

Profound Godward influence

in the lives of a **few**

over a **lifetime**...

As a result of *walking together*...we look more like *Christ*...

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