



INTRODUCTION

- The world views leadership as a:
 - Buzz word
 - Resume builder
- The world expects and demands leadership
- The world discuss and debates what makes a great leader
- The world has thousands of definitions and approaches to leadership
- How does leadership become God-honoring or eternal
 - Biblical leadership is based upon the person and example of Jesus Christ
 - Biblical leadership is about serving God and others rather than serving ourselves.
- Leadership is the stewardship of one's God-given gifts, abilities, and opportunities and seeking to influence and serve others.

OUR APPROACH

- Here at Cedarville our mission is to equip you for lifelong leadership and service.
- CU LEAD is intentional leadership development program.
- CU LEAD will assist you in exploring a Biblical definition of leadership
- CU LEAD will equip and empower you with the knowledge and skills need to implement change for the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ.

WHY LEAD?

- We lead in responses to God's love for us. God demonstrated his love by giving his son to be our savior and example.
- We are called to imitate Christ (I Corinthians 11:1)
- We are called to let our lights shine so others can see our gifts and abilities and give glory to our God. (Matthew 5:16)
- Leadership is Discipleship
 - Are you a disciple of Jesus Christ. Have you given your life and heart to him. This is the first step of Biblical leadership.
 - Are you pointing others to Jesus Christ. Are you creating disciples
- Leadership is putting the beauty of Christ on display



WHAT IS BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP

- Leadership is:
 - Stewardship
 - God created everything (Genesis 1)
 - God provides everything (James 1)
 - Abraham Kyper states: "There is not one square inch of creation in which Jesus Christ does not cry, "This is mine, This belongs to me."
 - All of our gifts, abilities, and opportunities belong to Jesus Christ. We are just stewards.
 - Influence
 - Leadership is not based upon a position or title but on the influence we have with others.
 - Who is influencing you
 - Who are you influencing
 - Imitate Christ – Be Like Christ
 - Service
 - Leadership must not be about power and prestige but humility and service.
 - Jesus is the perfect example of servant leadership (John 13:3-5)
 - Service should be our default action

CONCLUSION

- Leadership is a journey – you will never arrive
 - it takes discipline and dedication
 - it requires submission to God and His plan
 - God promises to provide all of our needs
- Leadership is our opportunity to put the beauty of Christ on display for a world in desperate need for Him.