



Leadership

Principles of Godly leadership

Learning to Lead



- Who teaches leaders how to lead?
 - The scriptures and godly examples.
 - **2Tim 3:16-17** *"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work."*
 - **2Thess 3:7-9** *"For you yourselves know how you ought to follow us, for we were not disorderly among you; nor did we eat anyone's bread free of charge, but worked with labor and toil night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, not because we do not have authority, but to make ourselves an example of how you should follow us."*

Accountability

- All Leaders will give an account of their stewardship because Christ is the head over all rule and authority.
 - **Col 2:10** *"and in Him you have been made complete, and He is the head over all rule and authority;"*
 - **1Peter 3:21-22** *"There is also an antitype which now saves us—baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers having been made subject to Him."*

Leading without Lordship



- Jesus taught the Apostles to Lead with service rather than lordship, and Peter passed it on to elders.
 - **Matt 20:25-28** *"But Jesus called them to Himself and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. "It is not this way among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you shall be your slave; just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.""*
 - **1 Peter 5:2-3** *"shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to the will of God; and not for sordid gain, but with eagerness; nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock."*

Common Principles of Leadership



- Be Diligent ~ **Rom 12:8** “... *he who leads, with diligence;*”
- Be Loving ~ **1Jn 3:16** “*By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.*”
- Be Just and Fair ~ **Col 4:1** “*Masters, give your bondservants what is just and fair, knowing that you also have a Master in heaven.*”
- Be Holy ~ **1Tim 2:8** “*I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting;*”
- Be an Example ~ **1Tim 4:12** “*Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.*”
- Be Gentle & Patient ~ **2Tim 2:24** “*And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient,*”
- Be Trustworthy ~ **1Cor 4:2** “*Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.*”