

Spiritual Leader Workshop – Part 2

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I. Introduction.

II. Dangers in spiritual leadership.

A. Pride. (1 Peter 5:5-6)

1. Seeking ultimate authority. (Galatians 3:3)
2. Wants others to look up to him.

B. Money. (1 Timothy 6:10)

C. A desire to be famous. (Leviticus 19:17; Proverbs 28:23)

D. Discouragement with a lack of results.

1. Reassess whether you are measuring correctly. (Isaiah 6:9-10)
2. Assess your faith in the vision. (Hebrews 11:6)
3. Reassess whether you are working hard enough.

E. Criticism. (1 Samuel 3)

1. Pay attention to the source of the criticism.
2. Ask whether the criticism is true.
3. Ask if your own critical nature brought it on. (Titus 1:5)

F. Loneliness.

G. Overwork.

H. Fear of rejection.

I. An exceeding love of authority. (Ecclesiastes 8:9; 1 Corinthians 1:24)

J. An unwillingness to pay the price.

1. In greater accountability.
2. In greater vulnerability. (1 Peter 5:8)
3. In greater hardship. (Proverbs 12:24)

III. Basic Scriptural principles about leadership.

- A. The leader is a servant. (Mark 10:45; 2 Corinthians 12:13; 13:7, 9)
- B. The leader is a steward. (1 Corinthians 4:2, 1; Luke 16:10; 12:41-44; Acts 6:10)
- C. The leader is a shepherd. (Psalm 23; John 10:10; Proverbs 27:23; Acts 20:17ff)

IV. How to lead.

- A. Have a clearly defined objective.
- B. Lead by example.
- C. Motivate your troops. (1 Samuel 14:6-7)
- D. Plan carefully. (Proverbs 11:14; 23:20)
- E. Pray.
- F. Keep initiative. (Nehemiah 2:19-20)
- G. See it through. (Nehemiah 6:15)

V. Leaders are developed by leaders. (2 Samuel 23:37)

VI. If one is a leader in one area, he has the most potential to be a leader in another leader.

VII. Basis of selecting leaders.

- A. The job to be done.
- B. Skills.
- C. Abilities.
- D. Whether the person is a team member and a follower.
- E. Character.
- F. Whether the person has followers.

VIII. Train leaders by...

- A. Stretching them.
- B. Teaching them to serve well.
- C. Training them how to take initiative.

Application questions:

1. Which danger of leadership are you most prone to? How can you overcome it?

2. What should we look for in leaders?

3. How can you personally be involved in training leaders?
