

Fulfilling of Dreams / Visions

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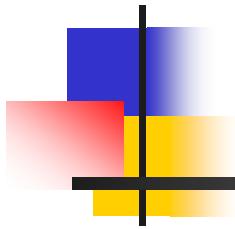
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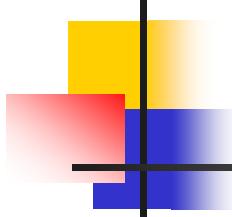
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What Is LEADERSHIP?



The ability to help others move toward an agreed-upon vision.

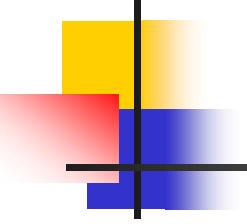


What Must All Leader's Possess?

VISION:

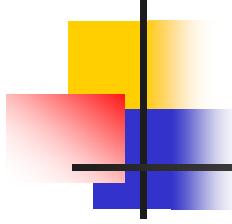
"Where there is no vision,
the people are unrestrained".

Prov. 29:18



VISION *(1 Sam. 3:1)*

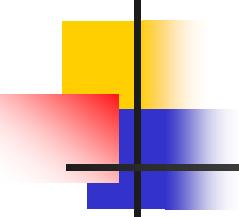
- ❖ In the Bible, people who had *visions* were filled with a special consciousness of God.
- ❖ The purpose of *visions* was to give guidance and direction to God's servants and to foretell the future.



Who's Vision Must We Possess?

John 5:19

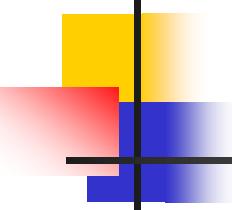
- *When does our own individual vision come into play?*



Christ's Leadership Style

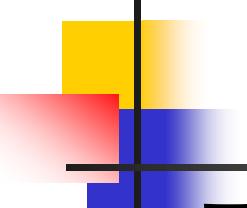
Three categories that describes the leadership style of Christ.

- ✓ *First*, He was a leader with a clear mission.
- ✓ *Second*, He was a leader with consistent character.
- ✓ *Third*, He was a leader with a capable team.



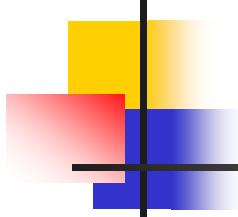
A Clear Mission

- ❖ A mission focuses you on what is important.
- ❖ A clear mission serves as *a compass to point you in the right direction as you fulfill God's purpose for your life.*
- ❖ Your mission keeps you on course.



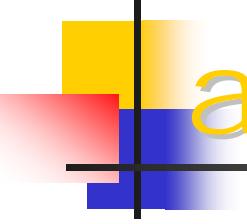
A Clear Mission

- ❖ Through the dynamic of a clear mission, we will use the talents God has given us to their maximum potential.
- ❖ Not only will you "spend" your life, but you will "invest" your life in what really matters.
- ❖ A clear mission statement keeps you focused on God's best.



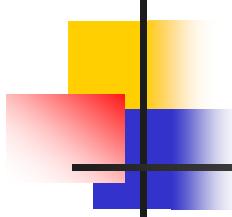
A Mission Serves as a Filter

- ❖ The *mission* serves as a filter for new ideas.
- ❖ You reject an idea that does not line up with your purpose.
- ❖ It may very well fit in another arena, but for your purpose it is unnecessary.



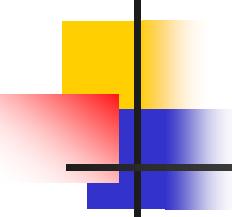
A Mission also Serves as an Evaluation Tool

**A mission statement
properly placed within a
system can sound the alarm
once a ministry, family, or
individual begins to change
in an unhealthy manner.**



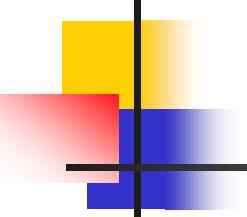
Mission Statements Stimulate

Mission statements should stimulate change when an organization or individual becomes stagnant.



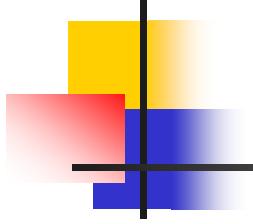
Mission Reflects Priorities

When you look over your life, will you be able to say, "I poured my life into what really mattered"?



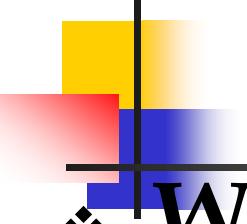
Jesus Understood His Purpose

- I must be about My Father's business?" (Luke 2:49)
- Jesus understood why He was here.
- He knew where He was going and how He was to arrive at His destination.
- The mission of Jesus was to "glorify God."



Character/Mission

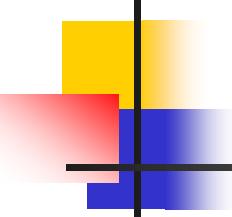
- ❖ Mission is what we do;
- ❖ Character is how and why we do it.
 - ❖ Mission is action and getting things done;
- ❖ Character is the motivation behind the work.
 - ❖ Character validates our mission.
 - ❖ Character gives credibility to our purpose.



Without Character

- ❖ Without character, our mission becomes a catchy cliche that fails to affect our lives and the lives of others.
- ❖ Character proves to others the seriousness of my commitment.
- ❖ Character expresses interest in the well-being of another's relationships as well as in getting the job done.

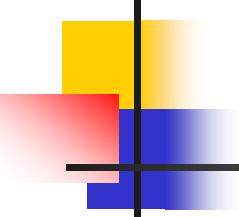
Character Comes from Within



“... Character is doing what's right, when nobody is looking.”

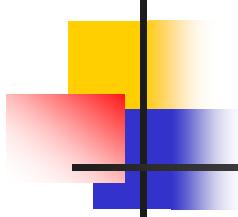
- Congressman J.C. Watts

Honesty, hard work, sensitivity, and courage flow from the life of Christ within the believer.



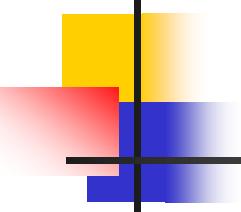
Capable Coaching

- ❖ “Building a team” takes time.
- ❖ When you commit to building a team of leaders expect the results to be cumulative.
- ❖ The results will come slowly, but they will build exponentially as time passes.



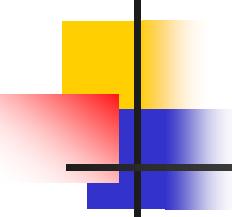
Three Benefits of Team Building

- ✓ Multiplication
- ✓ Delegation
- ✓ Longevity and loyalty



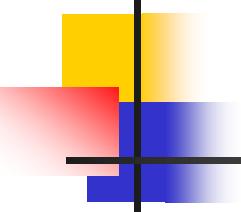
Multiplication

- ❖ The first benefit of a team is multiplication.
- ❖ By imparting his vision and cultivating friendships with other team members, he imparts purpose and meaning.
- ❖ People begin to live out the mission statement.



Delegation

- ❖ By surrounding yourself with gifted and capable individuals, you can trust them to carry out the task.
- ❖ They will take responsibility to carry out the mission in their area of expertise.
- ❖ The leader is able to "cast the vision" and make sure the team is making the right decision because competent people are implementing the mission.



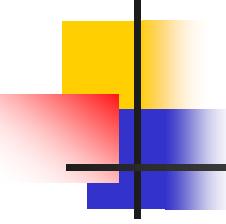
Longevity and Loyalty

People are highly motivated where there is contentment and fulfillment. They will endure longer or wait patiently for future reward, knowing what they are presently doing is making a difference.



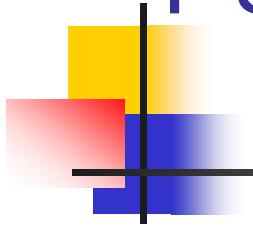
- Following God's Set Man
- Honoring God's Set Man
- Blessing God's Set Man
- Letting God's Set Man Bless You

This leads us to . . .



TeamShip

- ❖ Team members commit for the long haul, and they develop a real loyalty to one another.
- ❖ Someone may struggle, but they all struggle together.
- ❖ If one is successful, they all feel a part of the success as well.



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