

DAVID'S MEN

SEEKING THE HEART OF GOD



Leadership

Leadership is influence.

You may not think of yourself as a leader, but you can't deny the fact that you have some level of influence with those around you. It may be in your family with a spouse or kids, it may be with your friends or coworkers, maybe a younger guy is watching you and you aren't even aware of it.

I guarantee the way you live your life has an impact on someone. And that means we have a responsibility to be a good steward of that influence and to maximize our influence. God can do a lot with our little.

There is a leadership void in the church. For some reason men, can lead large companies during the day, but they have no initiative when it comes to the church. They sit on the sidelines waiting for someone to ask them for help. If they took that attitude with their careers, they would be unemployed.

God needs you to lead where you are.

Lead your family – Lead your family to church, to a deeper relationship with Christ, to be on mission with God in your neighborhoods.

Lead at church – What are your talents, gifts, and desires? Use them for the kingdom. Start a ministry if your church doesn't have one. Be proactive.

Lead yourself – Are you putting in the effort to discipline yourself for Godliness on a daily basis. What is your purpose in life? To climb the corporate ladder or to impact the kingdom of Christ.

This month we are going to read a book on leadership called *Lead Like Jesus* by Ken Blanchard. There are a lot of great books on leadership, but this one looks to Scripture for wisdom and principles that will challenge and enrich every man's life and leadership.

Current Month Assignments

- Read the following book on leadership. *Note there are two acceptable editions in print.
 - [Lead Like Jesus by: Ken Blanchard & Phil Hodges](#)
 - [Lead Like Jesus REVISITED by: Ken Blanchard & Phil Hodges](#)
- Prepare a book summary (approximately one page) with the following info:
 - List the big ideas.
 - List your key takeaways.
 - Discuss how you will apply to your life now.
 - Email this summary to each DM in your group prior to this month's meeting.
- Memorize the verses attached. Be prepared to quote each verse and reference. *Review your verses from previous months to ensure they become deeply rooted!*
- Man-date: When you meet, *discuss your progress and struggles of practicing daily worship in your life*, along with your memory verses.

Resources:

- To enrich your discussion, here's a 40-minute message by Andy Stanley entitled: How to Lead with Courage that we highly encourage you to listen to and discuss.
 - [How to Lead with Courage // Andy Stanley](#)

Memory Verses

Servant Leadership

Matthew 20:25-28 - ²⁵ But Jesus called them to him and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. ²⁶ It shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ²⁷ and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, ²⁸ even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

1 Kings 3:9 - ⁹ Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, that I may discern between good and evil, for who is able to govern this your great people?"

Spiritual Leadership

John 15:5 - ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

1 Peter 5:2-3 - ² shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly; ³ not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock.