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The human heart is incapable of being worshipped. Our world frequently puts people on pedestals that we were never meant to do.

In Kingdom work, we've got to do leadership differently than the world does it.

We cannot depend on the people following us to get it right. By definition, leaders lead the way.

When there is no accountability, there is pride. Pride is Satan's playground.

Our gap must be between God and everyone else, not between God and us.

World: Leadership is the ascent to power. Kingdom: Leadership is the descent to the needs of others.  
Philippians 2:3-8

Leadership done God's way isn't about what you get. Consumerism is about what you get. Don't confuse consumerism and leadership. Leadership is about what you give.

Spiritual Leadership: knowing where God wants people to be and taking the initiative to use God's methods to get them there in reliance on God's power. (John Piper)

The best way to know the will of God is to know the Word of God.

Spiritual Leader: a person who has strong confidence in the sovereign goodness of God to work everything together for good. (John Piper)

We live in the world, but we live FOR the Kingdom.

**#1: If personal competence increases, increase personal dependence.**

As your skill increases, as you hone in on the talent God gave you, you have to be intentional to increase your dependence on Him.

God did not create us to be self sufficient. He created us to need Him.

Remind yourself often who God is, because at the same time, you'll be reminding of who you are not.

**#2: If public platform increases, increase private devotion.**

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The only way to minimize yourself is to magnify God.

How?

Read + meditate on God's Word.

If you want to lead in wisdom, go to God's Word.

Pray for those you lead.

Pray for your enemies.

Confess your sins to God + to those you wrong.

Fear the consequences of concealment more than the consequences of confession. – Andy Stanley

Truth is a gateway to freedom.

**#3: If public opinion increases, increase humility.**

Silence, praise + criticism can ALL be toxic if you care about them too much.

If crickets make you change your message, then public opinion and public praise will own you.

If crickets make you question your calling, then criticism will make you quit.

If crickets discourage you then criticism will destroy you.

Let crickets be your test.

Public praise is super fickle.

1 Samuel 15:24

John 12:42-43

Criticism: Goes hand in hand with increased praise.

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**#4: If the crowd increases, increase your community.**

Lonely leadership is a choice.

Pull people in closer to you as the crowd increases.

With the praise, comes the criticism.

Being a leader is about the behind the scenes moments.

Prioritize the things that no one sees.

The test of the strength of your community is having people in your life who can call you out + tell you the truth.

If no one ever corrects you, you don't have real community.

If you struggle to be teachable, don't think that you will be easy for God to mold.

**#5: If responsibility increases, increase shared leadership.**

Matthew 9:37-38

Kingdom workers don't beg God for more work.

If you are asking God for more work, open your eyes.

His tasks and assignments are all around us, but our pride and busyness keep us from doing it.

Busy with world things = spiritually lazy

When you see someone doing Kingdom work, are you more likely to celebrate for the Kingdom or build up personal resentment you weren't part of it?

You can fake effort, but you can't fake your heart.

True leadership takes time. You cannot automate and systemize spiritual leadership.

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The best way to Invest WELL is to enlist more leaders vs. leading MORE you don't have time to lead.

### #6: If opportunity increases, increase your focus.

Opportunity always looks good, but it might not align with the mission.

Remind yourself of the mission and ask yourself if it is an opportunity or an obstacle.

### #7: If delays increase, maximize your right now.

What if your future was determined by how you are stewarding where God has you right now?

Leaders on mission for God love what they are doing right now because they recognize God is at work.

It doesn't matter what the title is or what the perks are if you are doing His mission.

Whatever your end game is, you can do that right now – you just have to start on a smaller scale.

Spiritual assignments are that – spiritual. A lot of us miss our spiritual assignments because we prioritize secondary conditions.

But I want to be able to live this way...

I want this title...

I expect this salary...

Prioritize the spiritual and trust God for the secondary.

Matthew 6:33

### #8: When challenges increase, increase your commitment.

Challenges just separate leaders who are committed from those who are not.

If it's the Lord's mission, no setback is work quitting over.

You can't do a kingdom assignment without a challenge.

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Redefine what leadership means to you by viewing leadership the way God views it. Not taking the world's definition of leadership + trying to apply it to Kingdom things.

God's Leaders:

### #1: Pray

If you're not praying someone, you are not leading them in a godly way.

Pray for more workers to be sent into the harvest.

### #2: Remind others of what God has already said

If you are on mission for God, you will say what His Word says.

There is always an opportunity to encourage.

IF you are saying something no other Kingdom worker is saying/doing:

You're not doing Kingdom work. You're doing/saying the right message with the wrong motives.

"These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me." - Matthew 15:8

### #3: Share the load

Pull out what God already put in them.

See others how God sees them and believe in others in such a way that they start to see themselves how God sees them.

Submit to God + submit to one another.

### #4: Expect the grind + give away the glory.

The grind moments will always outweigh the glory moments.

There is not a burning bush every day, but there is a Kingdom step that we can take, even if no one knows.

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There's not a single Kingdom effort that can happen without some simple tasks that the world would probably call meaningless.

But nothing is small in the hands of a big God.

Do the simple tasks.

Do the unseen things.

When we give sideways energy to impressing other people, impact is always affected negatively.

Chase impact.