

# ***Leadership Makes the Difference!***

## *Intentional Leadership*

*“Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God.  
Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith.”  
Hebrews 13:7 ESV*

**I am a Leader! Where Am I \_\_\_\_\_?**

### **I. Why Leadership \_\_\_\_\_**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Blunder**

*“And to Adam he said, “Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, ‘You shall not eat of it,’ cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;”*  
Genesis 3:17 ESV

(Judges 5:2)

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Impatience**

*“And Moses lifted up his hand and struck the rock with his staff twice, and water came out abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their livestock. And the Lord said to Moses and Aaron, “Because you did not believe in me, to uphold me as holy in the eyes of the people of Israel, therefore you shall not bring this assembly into the land that I have given them.”* Numbers 20:11–12 ESV

(Number 12:3)

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Compromise**

*“And Samuel said, “Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to listen than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of divination, and presumption is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the Lord, he has also rejected you from being king.”* 1 Samuel 15:22–23 ESV

(Proverbs 21:3)

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Pride**

*“But Joab said to the king, “May the Lord your God add to the people a hundred times as many as they are, while the eyes of my lord the king still see it, but why does my lord the king delight in this thing?” But the king’s word prevailed against Joab and the commanders of the army. So Joab and the commanders of the army went out from the presence of the king to number the people of Israel.”*  
2 Samuel 24:3–4 ESV

*“So the Lord sent a pestilence on Israel from the morning until the appointed time. And there died of the people from Dan to Beersheba 70,000 men.”*  
2 Samuel 24:15 ESV

*“But David’s heart struck him after he had numbered the people. And David said to the Lord, “I have sinned greatly in what I have done. But now, O Lord, please take away the iniquity of your servant, for I have done very foolishly.””*  
2 Samuel 24:10 ESV

(Proverbs 16:18)

## II. Why \_\_\_\_\_ Leadership Matters

### - Leaders \_\_\_\_\_ God's People

*"I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them."*  
Acts 20:29–30 ESV

*"Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood."* Acts 20:28 ESV

### - Leaders are \_\_\_\_\_

*"So I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed: 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; not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock."*  
1 Peter 5:1–3 ESV

### - Leaders are \_\_\_\_\_

*"Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ."* 1 Corinthians 11:1 ESV

### - Leaders are \_\_\_\_\_

*"And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,"* Ephesians 4:11–12 ESV

*"until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,"* Ephesians 4:13 ESV

### - Leaders \_\_\_\_\_ Against Doctrinal Error

*"And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kind to everyone, able to teach, patiently enduring evil, correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth, and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, after being captured by him to do his will."* 2 Timothy 2:24–26 ESV

### - Leaders are \_\_\_\_\_ to God

*"Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you."* Hebrews 13:17 ESV

## I am a Leader. Where Am I Leading Others?

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