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**BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP**

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## WHAT IS BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP?

- We were raised up to be radical...
- ...to model a people committed to God...
- ...SOLD OUT to truth, uncompromising truth...
- ...the truth of the entire Word of God.
  
- We would not give in to the pressures of the unbiblical church...
- ...the preferences of the saints...
- ...the preconceived ideas of the preachers...
- ...the prejudices of the legalists...
- ...or the pampering of the licentious...
- ...or politically - correct humanists.
  
- We would not just SING of
- SPEAK about
- SERMONIZE
- SHOUT about the King and the Kingdom
- ...but SUBMIT to the Kingdom (the Government of God)...
- ...and SURRENDER to the King.
  
- We would not “rip the sheep off”...
- ...settle down in our comfort zones...
- ...or convenient churches...
  
- We would go to the Nations...
- ...pastor our people...
- ...stretch them to become the best they could be for God...
- ...full of the Holy Spirit...
- ...obedient to the Word of God...
- ...building according to the Biblical pattern.
  
- We would ...dance...
- ...run...
- ...be passionate and zealous...
- ...uncompromising...
- ...and pleasing to our God in all our ways and what we are in Jesus.

**ACCORDING TO SCRIPTURE SUCCESSFUL LEADERSHIP IS A COMBINATION OF A  
NUMBER OF THINGS**

Titus 1: 5 – 16

- We all know that "THE KIND OF LEADERS WE RELEASE WILL DETERMINE HOW EFFECTIVE WE WILL BECOME AND HOW LONG THE EFFECTIVENESS WILL LAST".
  - Leadership is so vital, important and essential.
  - That is – good, Biblical leadership!
  - Paul's injunction to Timothy in 1 Tim 5:22 is "Do not be hasty in laying on of hands and do not share in the sins of others. Keep yourself pure."
  - The criteria that needed to be met before we can release. 1 Tim 3 ; Titus 1 5-16
  - The early church released leaders in the fear of God.
    - Acts 13: 1-3 "Worshipping"
    - "fasting"
    - "prayed"
    - "placed their hands on them"
  - And yet... we are also encouraged to "desire the office of the bishop (which) is a good thing" 1 Tim 3:1
  - The criteria are not to scare us off, or discourage us from leadership, but to show us how important good leadership is
- and to encourage us on to maturity.

## **A. OUR MODEL IS APOSTOLIC / PROPHETIC – WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?**

### **I. APOSTOLIC**

#### **(a) To be apostolic involves:-**

1. Governmental Authority
  - a) What we say is more than a good suggestion – it must be what God is both saying and doing.
2. Going Not Merely 'Gathering'
3. Sending Not Staying
4. Giving Not Merely Getting – through the legitimate Biblical channels of church government and structure.

Gifted translocal team ministry working into existing churches, planting new ones and keeping the wider implications of our call in perspective (working together, on local and translocal at every level)

### **II. PROPHETIC**

#### **(a) The Ability To See The Future, Plan For, And Become The Future - history spoken in advance.**

Acts 2:29 – 31 "Seeing what was ahead he spoke..."

#### **(b) The Realities of**

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Isaiah 49:1-3

Jeremiah 15:16-21

Ez. 12:6d

#### **(c) Living In The Challenge And Tension Of Perpetual Change**

Matthew 9:17

(Luke 5:33 -39)

#### **(d) Being Amongst Those Who:-**

1. Stand In God's Council Jeremiah 23:18 -22
2. Listen to and see His Word – What He is now saying as well as being "Word – Savvy".
3. "Has" (Has Received) God's Word, Which Is "Like A Fire And Hammer That Breaks A Rock In Pieces" And "Speaks It Faithfully". Jeremiah 23:28, 29

## B. BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP CONSISTS (IS MADE UP) OF THREE THINGS:-

Luke 7:1 – 10

### 1. Being In Authority - This authority is:-

- a) God-given
- b) Other leader recognized and endorsed.
- c) Servant-hearted motivated.

### 2. Being Under Authority

- a) If you are “in” authority, without being “under” authority, you will be a dictator, with no “faith – expression” – but flesh motivated.
- b) Being “under” authority involves accountability!  
Luke 9:1, 10 (1 – 10)

### 3. Exercising Authority

- a) You can't be given authority without exercising it!
- b) Otherwise you will undermine the Kingdom of God in your desire to be a man-pleaser!
- c) You sometimes have to do the “unpopular” thing.

It also involves:-

1. Privilege 1 Timothy 3:1
2. Pleasure Romans 12:1, 2
3. Pain Hebrews 12:1 – 13; Gal. 4:19, 20

**C. THERE ARE TWO BIBLICALLY-ENDORSED KINDS OF AUTHORITY**

1. **Governmental Authority** - Towards people - Wineskin
2. **Liberating Authority** - Towards the demonic or bound - Wine
  - Deliverance to the oppressed, obsessed, depressed, possessed.  
Luke 4:18, 19
  - Healing, whether it is physical, emotional, psychological, relational, etc.  
2 Corinthians 10:4; Isaiah 53; Luke 7:21; 5:17
  - Toppling “strong men”, principalities, powers, etc.  
Matthew 12:29; Ephesians 1:21; 3:10; 6:12

**To Have A Wineskin Without Wine Is Powerless.**

**To Have Wine Without A Wineskin Is Perilous.**

## **D. THE FOUR MAJOR CRITERIA (WHICH WE WILL BREAK DOWN FURTHER LATER) ARE:-**

- I. WHAT YOU ARE
- II. WHAT YOU CAN DO
- III. WHAT HE CAN DO THROUGH YOU
- IV. US DOING WHAT HE HAS TOLD US TO DO

### **I. WHAT YOU ARE (NOT "WHO" YOU ARE!)**

#### **(A) YOUR CALL**

##### **a) Your "Capacity"**

1. There are captains of 10's, 50's, 100's and 1 000's.  
Exodus 18:21, 22
2. This is a God-given, not a "you – choose".  
1 Chron. 13:1; 27:1; 28:1; Lk. 19: 17, 19.
3. Whether you are a pastor, evangelist, prophet, teacher or apostle, a deacon, administrator, etc.  
Romans 12:6 – 8
4. We must be honest about our capacity – otherwise we will constantly be frustrated...
5. ...but never limit ourselves to that!
6. God can, and will give you more if you are faithful with what you are and have.

##### **b) What You Are. 1 Corinthians 1:1 "apostle, by the will of God"**

- Pastor
- Prophet
- Evangelist, etc.
- Don't try to pastor if you are an evangelist or visa-versa.
- Don't use one office as a stepping-stone to another.
- Give it all you've got in the call and office you are presently in.

**(B) YOUR CO-OPERATION****1. YOUR PRAYER LIFE****2. YOUR FAITH LIFE Is 54: 1-3.****3. PATIENCE Heb. 6:12**

Impatience makes you “blow it” – using anything that looks like it may work even it isn’t the Bible way or pattern.

**4. VALUE SYSTEM - To be Word-based in everything.**

- a) As a leader you have to pay the price to “father” or mentor potential leaders.

- Small groups of ±12 and pouring your life into them like Jesus did with the apostles.

- b) Ongoing “Meaty”, Stretching, Giving “Handles” Leadership Training.

- c) Your preaching being what you practice.

- Ensure also that all your people are:

- (i) Saved Acts 2
- (ii) Baptized Acts 2; Matthew 28
- (iii) Baptized in the Spirit Acts 2; 15:8, 9
- (iv) Discovering and exercising their gifts Acts 8  
Exodus 19:6; Isaiah 61:6; 1 Peter 4:10 – 11;  
2:9 -12, 15
- (v) Walking in true grace and obedience  
Ephesians 2:8, 9; Titus 2:11, 12
- (vi) Witnessing Acts 1:8
- (vii) Involved in the Great Commission to all nations  
Matthew 28:18 – 20

- d) Be aware of Jeremiah 6:13, 14

**5. PERSEVERANCE**

Ignoring and overcoming discouragement, opposition, criticism, etc.  
Jeremiah 15:16 – 21; Luke 8:15

**6. DISCIPLINE**

Personal

- (i) Eating
- (ii) Exercising
- (iii) Punctuality

## 7. **BEING A TRUE TEAM PLAYER**

- a) Understanding that the translocal team “multiplies” your, and your churches, call, gifting and anointing.
- b) Not always desiring or insisting on being #1.
- c) Not always doing all the “visible”, noticeable ministry – a “one-man-show”.

Even Jesus, Who could do everything better than anyone else, gave His disciples opportunities! Luke 10:1 – 3

- d) Truly understanding that we need each other.  
1 Corinthians 12:12 – 31

### **Paul's injunctions – Walk The Talk! – (an example)**

1 Cor. 11:1

2 Tim. 3:10

1 Cor.4:16 "Therefore I urge you to imitate me"

Ph. 3: 16 – 17

Ph. 4: 9

1 Thess. 1: 6

2 Thess. 3: 7, 9

Titus 2: 7, 8

## **(C) YOUR CHARACTER**

### **What is the Real You?**

#### **1. Honesty**

#### **2. Integrity**

- Not swayed by the opinions and preferences of people.  
- The testimony of Jesus. Mark 12:14

#### **3. Faithfulness**

#### **4. Transparency**

#### **5. Consistent**

#### **6. Disciplined**

#### **7. Sacrificial**

**8. Humility** Isaiah 66:20 “One esteemed by the Lord”

- i) Don't allow yourself to become impressed with yourself!
- ii) Anything you succeed in, He did, not you!
- iii) If you are going to boast or glory, “boast in the Lord”.
- iv) Don't allow the people to make you their king.
- v) People have always “wanted a king” (1 Samuel 8:5 -7, 19 – 20) and will try to make you theirs, as their pastor.
- vi) Don't allow it in any form.
  - ie. “Pastor” as a title
    - serving you
    - treating you in some special way, etc.

Jeremiah 5:30, 31

**(D) YOUR PERSONALITY**

1. Flexible, yet stable

2. Confident, yet vulnerable

3. Passionate, yet sensitive

4. Perseverance (continuity)

5. Wild, yet not weird.

Conservatism cripples!

6. Authentic

7. A self-starter 2 Cor. 8:17

## II. WHAT YOU CAN DO

### (A) HOW MANY TALENTS YOU HAVE- A COMBINATION OF BOTH NATURAL AND SUPERNATURAL/SPIRITUAL – YOUR SKILLS, GIFTS AND TALENTS.

#### MATTHEW 25: 14 – 30

##### 1. Preaching Skills

- Communication skills.
- Use of the Bible.
- How to get to the point.
- Serious but happy, friendly and offering hope – even when you preach on hell.
- Not constantly repeating yourself or always apologizing.
- Being yourself in your personality.
- Appearance – dress, hygiene, etc.
- Artful application and use of "illustrations".
- Know your hearers, their problems and concerns, then ask God to give you His answers and His love for them.

##### 2. People Skills

- How you are "*coming across*" – affecting people for good or bad.
- Tact – not fear of man.
- Wisdom.
- Is your "*bridge*" to them strong enough to carry what you want to say?
- Unhelpful "*quirks*" or personality traits.
- Friendly and caring, not scowling; appearing angry; unimpressed.
- Grateful.

##### 3. Pastoral Skills

- Friendly.
- Caring.
- Available – *really* available in the full sense of the word.
- Not pedantic, appearing superior or to "*know it all*".
- Knowledge of Scriptures, and how to apply them.

##### 4. Prayer Skills

- Who you are addressing – God Himself!
- Respectful, but passionate and forceful.
- Use of Scripture when you are praying.
- Knowing when you *really* have had a breakthrough.
- How to pray for individuals.
  - your church
  - your city
  - your country
  - the nations.

## **5. Prophetic skills**

- How to hear God.
- The art of communicating what He is saying in a sane, sober, hopeful, gracious and wise way.
- The art of judging prophecy: is it in keeping with Scripture, the heart of God, is it helpful?
- The Biblical content of your prophecy.

## **6. Pilotship (Administrative) Skills**

### **a) Can you “administrate” yourself?**

- (i) your personal affairs? Accounts, household
- (ii) your family affairs?
- (iii) your priorities? Do you do the easy, non-essentials instead of the reverse?
- (iv) your friendships?
- (v) your peers? Other pastors, leaders
- (vi) your bedroom (Passion Skills!)?
- (vii) your study or office?

### **b) Can you “administrate” the Administration of the Kingdom?**

- (i) Conflict with others? May even agree to disagree and live free.
- (ii) Conflicts among others? Are you drawn into something that is not your war?
- (iii) Those under your care?  
Your home cell?

## **7. Planning Skills**

- a) For each day? Are you on top of your schedule? To do lists.
- b) For the year ahead, for your life  
- then the local church things etc.
- c) For the year *after* that
- d) Your "*retirement*" years etc.

## **8. Perception Skills**

- How to scope
- Is *perceived* opposition or support *real* or your misreading a situation / person / people?

### **9. Participation Skills**

- A team player
- Prepared to get involved
- Not "reserving your options"

### **10. Peace Skills**

- Fighting the right wars
- Finding a place of rest in God – it's a skill to be learnt!!
- Forgiving and finding forgiveness

### **11. Parenting Skills**

- a) Your own family
- b) Your spiritual sons

### **12. "Passion" Skills - your love-life!**

## **III. WHAT HE CAN DO THROUGH YOU**

SIX THINGS:-

- OUR YIELDEDNESS
- AVAILABILITY
- OPENNESS TO CHANGE
- ANOINTING WE CARRY
- GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT
- INTIMACY WITH GOD

### **(A) OUR YIELDEDNESS**

1. Always Giving God First Place Matt. 6:33
2. Presenting Our Bodies (all that we are to Him) Rom. 12: 1,2.
3. Holding Nothing Back

**(B) OUR AVAILABILITY**

## 1. Dealing With Self In Every Form

The "self-hyphenated" words:-

- (i) Self-seeking
- (ii) Self-promotion (self-glory) – boasting
- (iii) Self-sufficiency
- (iv) Self-absorption
- (v) Self-conceit – Vanity
- (vi) Self-consciousness: so many people hold back because of this!
- (vii) Self-preservation
- (viii) Self-reliance
- (ix) Self-will (obstinacy)

John 12: 24 "Except a corn of wheat..."

Matt. 16: 25 – 26      James 3: 13-18

**(C) OUR OPENNESS TO CHANGE AND BEING CHANGED**

2 Cor. 3:18

James 1: 22-25

**(D) THE ANOINTING WE CARRY****1. Make Sure It Is For *Others*, Not Self-glorifying, or Self-Indulgent!**

Is. 61

Lk. 4: 18,19

1Jn.3:8

(to break yokes, help people, free them and keep them free)

**2. Your Capacity For His Presence, Power In And Through Your Life****3. Your Willingness To Allow His Ability To Get The Job Done Through You.**

- The degree to which you will allow Him to do this *without getting in His way*.

#### 4. His Leading, Guiding And Teaching You.

1 John 2:27; Is. 48:17, 18

#### 5. Let The River Flow!

Jn.7:38

Ez.47

Ps.1:3

Rev. 22: 1-2

### **(E) GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT**

1. Seek Them. 1 Cor 14:1 (actively)

2. Use Them. 1 Cor 14:26  
Rom.12:6-8

3. The Three Sources Of Inspiration

a) satan – resist. Jms. 4:6-7

b) self – reckon. Rom 6:11

c) Saviour – render. James1:17 "Every good and perfect gift... " Matt. 7:11  
(Lk. 11:13) "If you then being evil...",

### **(F) INTIMACY WITH GOD**

**(I) The Cost Of Intimacy. S of Songs 5: 2-8**

1. Inconvenience, But To Miss His It Would Be Tragic (perhaps God designed it like that), He won't be abused, so don't play around. Grace is not an excuse to ignore Him. God will not be the mechanical toy with which we want to play.

2. Abiding in Him Jn.15:1  
Jn.17: 20-24  
Jn. 14: 20, 21

3. Pruning Jn.15: 1-3 there is a cost when God starts to prune things off your life. Has the cost become too much for you, somewhere? Could your marriage survive if you treated your spouse the way you respond to God? Anyone who says it's easy is not a Bible-believing saint. Encourage people to press in and on.

**(II) The Preciousness Of Intimacy**

S. of Songs 7:1 - 8:4 God – Who has no need – need to hear certain intimacies from me

## 1. It's The Experiencing Of The Deepest Love

S. of Songs 6:4-9; 7:1-9

### (III) The Rewards Of Intimacy S. of Songs 7:1 - 8:4

#### 1. You Hear His Voice

#### 2. You Experience His Heart

#### 3. It's The Place Of Revelation

Jn.15:15: just a matter of simple obedience (v10), not always looking for a goose-bump moment. Abiding has a lot to do with how you relate to one another; it's a life-time experience – every second of my life I am to be consciously walking - even if I don't feel like it – with a sense of God's presence. "It's practicing the presence of God." We also need the mountain top times and may have to get away to do it. Remain in Me, and do what I tell you.

Jn.16:12-15.

1 Cor.2:6-16

#### 4. You Develop Your Friendship With God. Jn.15:15

5. Fruitfulness Jn.15:4-5,8,16 – vine speaks of vital union with Christ. Don't need to run after prophets – you have direct access. Running starts you on a course that ends in trouble.

a) Fruit 1,2,4

b) Much fruit 5

c) Lasting fruit 16

#### 6. Answered Prayer Jn.15:7

#### 7. Complete Joy Jn.15:10,11

#### 8. Strength Is.40:28-31

**9. The How To of Intimacy:** the union between Christ and us

Major part is obedience and trust, faith with expectation, prefaced by wholehearted commitment and full surrender – truly Christ-owned. It involves yielding wholly to Him to be a witness to His grace, to seek by word and walk, to win others. Fix your eyes on Him continually, practicing His presence all day long.

Dr. Andrew Murray: *“Abide in Christ.”* “My Utmost for His Highest.”

**IV. OUR DOING WHAT HE HAS TOLD US TO DO**

**(A) OUR OBEDIENCE**

Jn. 14:15 "If you love Me, you will obey what I command you."

Jn. 14:21 "Whoever as My commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves Me."

Jn. 14:23 "If anyone loves Me, he will obey My teaching."

1. **How Quick We Are To Obey:** your speed in responding is the key to your future potential being realised. Develop an instant heart to respond.

2. **Or How Slow (How Long It Takes) To Obey Him**

3. **Or Our Unwillingness To Obey – Disobedience**

a) Even by simply ignoring what He says.

**(B) OUR OPENNESS TO CHANGE AND BEING CHANGED.**

**1. Some Are "Closed" To Change Because Of Its Threat, Inconvenience, Cost.**

a) We have to sometimes acknowledge that we were wrong! God does not determine our openness to change – we make the choices and we set the pace. No one was exempt from the nations and yet it has taken some folk forever to get their minds around it. We resist change, we get threatened. It's in God's heart for us to change every split second – not floppy change. But making us more effective and more like Jesus.

**2. We All Have Prejudices, Pre-Conceptions, Preferences And " Comfort-Zones" That We Don't Like To Be "Rattled".** God has to rattle us sometimes.

**(C) KEEPING OURSELVES FREE, FROM:-**

1. Demonic Activity Which Brings Bondage. Gal.1-14 Be careful what you let in through the eye-gate – can result in demonic bondage. Don't place yourself in a compromising position. Keep yourself free. 1 Tim 4:1-8
2. From Sin. Rom.8:1-17
3. From Manipulation And Control By Others. Gal. 5:1 – 21, even Dudley, team, wife, husband, church. Only you can keep yourself free from manipulation. Even God can't do it – He has set it up so that you will make the choice yourself.

**(D) OUR BEING AN EXAMPLE TO BE FOLLOWED IN EVERY AREA OF LIFE.**

**1 COR.11:1**

**1. Our Life And Faith Heb.13:7**

1 Tim. 4:12

- a) speech
- b) in life
- c) in love
- d) in faith
- e) in purity
- f) by doing good Titus 2:7

**2. The Pattern Set By The Leaders Before You**

Phil. 3:17

- a) Two visions = *DMISION!*

**3. By Being An Example To The Flock. 1 Pet. 5:3**

**4. Of Servanthood**

Jn. 13: 1-17 NB. vs 1c, 12 – 17

**God's leaders are "servants of God" before they are the "servants of the people"!**

Acts 27: 23

Rom. 1: 9

2 Tim. 1: 3

Jms. 1: 1

1 Pet. 2: 16

**5. In Our Finances**

**6. In The Gifts Of The Spirit**

**7. In Praise And Worship**

**8. In Punctuality**

**9. In Flexibility**

**10. In Family Life**

- a) Husbands – head
- b) Wives – heart
- c) Children – hope
  - (i) Disciplining where necessary.
  - (ii) Encouraging one another.
  - (iii) Working as a team – each doing their bit.

**11. In Prayer**

- a) Private
- b) Corporate
- c) For yourselves
- d) For the local church
- e) For the translocal

Is. 56:7 "My house... a house of prayer for all nations".

(Matt. 21:13; Mk. 11: 17; Lk. 19: 46)

**12. Of Living Encouraged****13. In "Meeting Attendance". Heb. 10:25**

a) We show people how important it is to be together – be more committed than the sheep to the local church. Also applies to regional training times.

**(A) JOHN WESLEY'S CRITERIA FOR ORDAINING METHODIST MINISTERS:-**

1. Is Jesus Christ his Saviour and Lord?
2. Is he using his spiritual and natural gifts for *God's glory*?
3. Is his ministry fruitful? Let's stop releasing home cell leaders who have no fruit, and stop releasing them to plant churches with no fruit. If they cannot draw people in where they live, how can they possibly do well out there, let alone in a foreign nation? Don't release anyone who does not occasionally lead someone, somewhere to Christ!

**(B) If We Are Not Fruitful In The Local Church We Won't Succeed**

**Elsewhere!**

## **E. THESE CRITERIA (FACTORS) BROKEN FURTHER DOWN: -**

### **I. CALLING Acts 13:1-3**

#### **1. Called By God To A Specific Call**

Rom. 1:1

1 Cor.1:1; 2:1

**NB Gal. 2:1**

Eph. 1:1

Col. 1:1

#### **2. Recognized by a Team He Related To And Is Genuinely Accountable to**

Acts 13:1-3

a) **The example set in Acts 6: 1-6**

b) **God has a way of making you recognized without your help.**

Nu. 11: 26 - 30

#### **3. Released in a Biblical Way**

Acts 13: 3

Acts 6: 6

Titus 1: 5

Acts 14: 23 "Paul and Barnabas appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, committed them to the Lord."

#### **(A) Some of the "Callings Of God" :-**

(I) **Governmental.** Eph 4:11-12; Phi. 1:1

(1) **Apostles.** – govern

a) They are "architects" (wise master builders"  
1 Cor. 3:10, given by the Ascended Christ for the ongoing building and extension of His church)

b) **They are involved primarily in a six – fold ministry :-**

(i) **Foundations.** 1 Cor. 3:9 -15  
Eph. 2:20  
Titus 1:5 "straighten out"

**a) Planting New Churches.**

a) Paul was always looking for new (virgin) territory to plant new churches.

b) He spoke of "enlarging his sphere of influence" 2 Cor. 10: 13 – 16

c) The example of Acts 8 : 5 – 8,  
14 – 17.

**b) Rebuilding Existing Churches**

**(ii) Revelation.**

**a) He works with the local pastors to bring visionary revelation and understanding to God's people.**

**b) He shows them, (if they will allow him to) how to proceed as they discover "restored" truth about church life.**

**(iii) Formation. The setting in order of: -**

**a) individual lives**

**b) church life – Its structure, meetings, emphasis, etc.**

**c) recognizing leadership and ministry in the church.**

Acts 14: 23 "appointed elders for them in each church"

Titus 1: 5 "to appoint elders"

**d) decisions regarding government and doctrine.**

**e) equips and exhorts local leaders as well as other ministries.**

**(iv) Emancipation. Acts 15: 31; 1 Cor. 3:1-5; Gal. 5:1- 25**

**a) Keeps church free of :-**

1. wrong emphasis.
2. doctrinal off – centeredness.
3. spiritual coldness.
4. incorrect practice.

**b) Helps pastors to :-**

1. Strategize.
2. Adjust unbalanced use of gifts.
3. Instill and facilitate world mission.
4. Release difficult situations.
5. Detect legalism – licentiousness.
6. Implement difficult cases of church discipline.
7. Break new ground and pioneer new churches.
8. Bring objective appraisal as he is not resident.

**(v) Edification**

a) **Supplies** " What is lacking in your faith "  
1 Thess. 3:10; Rom. 1:11-12

b) **Brings unity to church at large.**

1. in local situations.
2. in a city, between different churches.
3. helps groups of churches to resource and give aid. 1 Cor. 16:1,2; Acts 4:34-37.

c) **Envisions churches with the wider implications of the Body of Christ.**

**(vi) Ordination of Elders. Acts 14:23.**

a) **Sometimes sends a representative.**  
Tit. 1:5

**(2) Prophets – guide**

1. **O.T. Prophets – used in realm of guidance, direction and seeking the Mind and Will of God.**

a) People went to them for guidance.

2. **N.T. Prophets – aren't the primary source of guidance and mustn't control another persons life.**

a) Normally confirm what has already been said.

b) We receive this from infallible Word of God.

**3. Their ministry:-**

a) **Foundational to the building of Christ's church.**  
Eph. 2:20-22.

(i) They give alignment and proper structure to God's building, the church as they work with an apostle.

(ii) They help to keep the church "pure" by picking up sin, compromise and heresy.

(iii) They give clear warning to difficulties.

(iv) They help receive what is best on God's agenda.

(v) They encourage and strengthen the church  
Acts 15:32

**(3) Evangelists - gather.**

- a) Meaning of Greek word – to announce Good News
- b) They preached Christ (Acts 8:5) in a way that attracts and invites crowds. Acts 8:4-13
- c) Signs and wonders don't get people saved, preaching Christ does. Acts 8:5; ! Cor. 1:17-2:5.
- d) They also equip, motivating people to want to evangelize

**(4) Pastors – guard.**

- a) Ruling 1 Tim. 5:17.
- b) Teaching 1 Tim. 5:17.
- c) Equipping Eph. 14:11-16
- d) Pray for sick Jms. 5:14
- e) Exhort, refute dissidents Titus 1:9

**(5) Teachers – ground.**

- a) Shape the lives of individuals and contribute to process of maturing them in order to function properly.

**(6) Deacons. Acts 6:1-6**

- a) An office. Phil. 1:1
- b) "Home cell" leaders are deacons!
- c) Evangelists! Acts 6:1-6 with 8:4-8  
Acts 21:8 "Philip the evangelist"

**(II) General Callings . Rom. 12:7-8****4. We Must Have Wisdom To Know How To Transition From One Calling To Another.**

i.e. from "pastor" to "apostle"

- a) We don't want everyone on board to fall overboard which will happen if we transition too soon!
- b) Teach your people the N. T. pattern.
- c) Build away from yourself (wisely) NOW (even if they never leave their church) by :-

(i) pointing them towards *all* of your local team – don't make the guys on your team look like lackeys – there needs to be a real respect even in delegating. You are not the boss – while you project that, the folk will never respect your other leaders. People must feel every guy is as good as the best.

(ii) pointing them towards the translocal team – help the pastors to see that it's not only what they get from us, or what they are to give to us, but that when the time comes for the transition for them - because they have built well with the team - there is hardly a hiccup.

(iii) not doing everything yourself,

(iv) not always referring to yourself, your successes, strengths, - refer to others etc.

(v) assuring them of God's commitment to them (God's doing this thing) – and your commitment to them too (by attitude, heart and actions), even if you are even there.

(vi) teaching them how to release you.

(vii) helping them to see the "bigger picture" and that they are part of it. Show them that this is "them going too", always to be a part of the ongoing inheritance.

(viii) assuring them of the translocal team's commitment to them ongoingly. Practically, by heart and availability.

## **II ANOINTING**

## **F. LEADERSHIP TRAINING THEN CONSISTS AT THE VERY LEAST OF THE FOLLOWING**

1. **Theological Training**: people need theology and we as leaders need to constantly study it.
2. **Church Government Training**  
How the church operates locally - *and* - translocally, Biblically. Translocal ministry is not para-church.
3. **How To Lead A Person To Christ** : too many pastors do not know how to do it. We all need to be doing it, despite our ability. At least preach a message once every six months on how to lead people to Christ – also at LTT’s.
4. **How To Make New Converts *Disciples And Christ-Sufficient***
  - Faith
  - The importance of the Word of God.
  - How to get themselves healed when hurt.
  - How to (*immediately*) recognize:-
    - (i) “flesh”
    - (ii) heresy
    - (iii) legalism
    - (iv) licentiousness
    - (v) cultism
    - (vi) occultism
    - (vii) overcome temptation, discouragement, feelings of guilt, doubt, etc.
    - (viii) Share their faith effectively
  - Self-discipline
5. **How To Work In A Team, Either As The Leader Of The Team, Or As Part Of One.** Q: could you actually teach this. Every single leader needs to know how to work in a team, how to lead a team, how to be part of a team.
6. **How To Set And Keep People Free**
  - Organic life is so important here.
  - Not always needing deliverance to do this.
7. **How To Plant A Church**
8. **How The Kingdom Of God Is Financed**: tithes, offerings, alms, apo giving in a lifestyle of generosity.

## The Reasons Why We Have These Ongoing Training Times Around The World:

1. Bible colleges are *not* Biblical.
2. People equipped and trained:-
  - a) the local church (elders, etc.)
  - b) by the translocal team.
1. by their *own personal* commitment to get equipped
- 2.

**G. WE CAN ONLY TEACH YOU THESE THINGS; YOU have to have the CALL, GIFTING, the ANOINTING and WILLINGNESS TO OBEY!**

a) It is of very little use trying to teach you skills if you don't have a Servant-Shepherd heart:

God always looks for "a man after His own heart" to lead His people.  
1 Samuel 13:14; Acts 13:22

b) I'm becoming increasingly convinced that the reason for so much failed leadership is our inability to discern between what we must do and He must do.

c) These 4 - your *call, gifting, anointing and willingness to obey* - determine to a large degree your Gathering and Keeping Power. To attempt to lead without these 4 is useless at best and dangerous at worst. If anyone were to follow you they would become destructive towards the Kingdom of God.

**I. THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GOD'S PART AND OURS RELATED TO SALVATION, FAITH AND OBEDIENCE**

1. Some Teaching On "Grace" Has Caused More Confusion Than Help.
2. Unfortunately, In Their Desire To Avoid The Error Of Salvation By Works, Many Have Fallen Into The Equally Serious Error Of Salvation Without Obedience!
3. They Confuse "Works" With Obedience.  
Philippians 2:13 – 14 tells us to "work out our own salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in us both to will and to do..."
4. They Confuse What God Will, And Only He Alone Can Do, With What He Must Do, And Only We Can Do.
5. Things That Only God Can Do And Will Do:
  - Make atonement for us.
  - Redeem us.
  - Transform us.
  - Make us alive by His Spirit, etc.
    - a) These were accomplished through our Lord's life and death.
    - b) While that work made atonement for every person from eternity to eternity, it did not save any person!
    - c) For it to become effective in us we have to do something, not God.
    - d) The act of repentance and faith – appropriating what God has done for us and made available to us only we can do.

## 6. Things That Only We Can And We Must Do:-

- a) Repent
- b) Believe
- c) Obey

- The “He has done everything therefore we can’t and/or don’t need to do anything” emphasis is deceiving and robbing people of assurance, peace and power.
- We have to own our own sin and take responsibility for it.
- We are not being punished for Adam’s, but our own sin.
- Truth received must change our behaviour and lifestyle.
- Many today have fallen into the serious flaw in most “grace” teaching of trying to believe with no intention of obeying!
- This is both Biblically impossible and morally impossible.
- You can’t truly “believe” without truly “obeying”. Romans 1:5; 16:26 “The obedience that comes from faith”.

## II. IF THERE IS DISOBEDIENCE (SIN) IN YOUR LIFE, STOP IT NOW!

- No more gossip...
- Lying...
- Seeking worldly pleasure...
- Wasting your money on extravagant, unnecessary things...
- Judging...
- Criticising... etc.
- Put right with those you have wronged.
- Sow your money into that which advances the Kingdom of God and helps the poor.
- Pray.
- Share your faith.
- Study God’s Word.
- To summarize – OBEY!
- Do all of this from the foundation of John 12:23 – 26

H. **SO, IN ORDER TO BE A GOOD LEADER, YOU HAVE TO TAKE SERIOUSLY WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT WHAT AND WHO YOU ARE (SERVANT-HEARTED-SHEPHERD) SUBMIT TO ITS AUTHORITY NO MATTER HOW MUCH IT CUTS ACROSS THE STATUS-QUO, AND DO EXACTLY WHAT IT SAYS.**

- This is faith in action.

I. **LEADERSHIP MUST FOCUS ON GOD AND BRINGING IN HIS PRESENCE**

- The Restoration Of David's Fallen Tent – The Government Of God.  
Acts 15:15 – 17
  - a) In 1 Chronicles 13:1 – 4 ; 2 Chronicles 5:2 – 7 (1 Kings 8:1 – 3) the leader sought to bring back the ark of God – the symbol of the Presence of God.  
2 Chronicles 5:6
  - b) Notice the emphasis on sacrifice. 5:6
  - c) The centrality of the Word of God. 5:10
  - d) Organic life.

## J. LEADERSHIP MUST ALSO FOCUS ON MAKING DISCIPLES WHO IN TURN MAKE DISCIPLES WHO IN TURN MAKE DISCIPLES

2 Tim. 2:2

### (A) This will include:-

1. **Doing The Work Of An Evangelist** 2 Timothy 4:5
  - If a person doesn't have a heart for "souls" they will never be good Biblical leaders.
  - Leadership anointing gives us an evangelistic heart. Acts 20:26 – 27
2. **Shepherding/Caring**
  - Leadership and anointing also gives us a shepherd heart. Acts 20:28; 1 Pet. 5:2 – 4
  - True shepherding "stretches" the sheep without making them insecure.
    - a) This demands sacrificial availability. Ephesians 5:25
  - It means praying for and with the flock. Acts 6:2 – 4
3. **Teaching The Word of God**  
1 Timothy 4:13 – 16; 2 Timothy 4:1 – 8
  - In order to teach the Word you must know the Word.  
Acts 6:2 – 4
  - Teaching includes feeding the flock – green grass and fresh bread.  
John 21:15 – 17; Psalm 23; Matthew 4:4
4. **Training People In Godliness**  
1 Timothy 4:6 – 11; 3:16, 17
5. **Raising Up More Leaders – Both Young And Old**  
1 Timothy 3:1 – 16; 4:12; Eph. 4:1
  - Older people bring stability and security.
  - Younger bring vitality and continuity – keep us reproducing and counting for God.
    - a) Look at how many of God's leaders were young in the Bible.  
2 Kings 15:2; 8:26; 11:21; 16:2  
21: 1; 21: 19; 22:1; 24: 8; 24: 18
6. **Directing The Church, The Household Of Faith**  
1 Timothy 5:17 – 22;  
3:4 – 5

- Correcting
- Disciplining 2 Timothy 2:2; Matthew 28 “make disciples”
- Encouraging Titus 1:9
- Refuting dissidents Titus 1:9
- Praying for the sick James 5:14
- Strategizing, planning and envisioning Proverbs 29:18
  - a) Getting revelation from God
- Ruling and governing 1 Timothy 5:17
- Rebuking Titus 1:13; 2:15; 2 Timothy 4:2

## 7 Involves Being An Example Of The Believer At Every Level Of Life

- In relationships
- In the gifts of the Spirit
- In maturity
- In caring
- In warfare
- In passion
- In worship/praise
- In submission
- In authority
- In endurance 2 Timothy 3:10 – 17
- In forgiving and being forgiving
- In true Biblical freedom
- In graciousness
- In not promoting yourself or showing off
- Passing on the baton - and our value system 2 Timothy 1:13, 14
- Not spitting the dummy when you don't get what you want.

## 8. Involves Being Able To Get To The Point And Not Repeating Yourself Ad-Nauseam

## 9. It Involves Paying The Price Of Mentoring / Fathering

## K. THE PROBLEM OF THE RESTRICTIONS DUE TO THE CONDITION OF YOU OWN HEART! This is the only variable.

Luke 8:11 – 15