

The question of leadership is not if you are a leader, but what kind of leader you are.

Part 1: The Leadership Dilemma

1 Samuel 16:7

But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

1. Secular Leadership - The world is concerned with the _____ (person) and _____ (project) of leadership, but God is mostly concerned with the _____.

"In leadership character is not the main thing - it is the *only* thing." - Albert Schweitzer

2. Biblical Leadership – successfully influencing others in a project so that they are _____ and God is _____.

Part 2: Nehemiah on Leadership

1. Leaders are _____.

How you lead reveals

- _____ happens until someone gets concerned.
- The number one enemy to success is _____.

"All that is necessary for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing." - Edmund Burke

- Nehemiah had a grave concern for the _____ of God.

- Nehemiah had a grave concern for _____
_____.

<p>Obstacles to Concern:</p> <p>1. _____</p> <p>2. _____</p> <p>3. _____</p> <p>4. _____</p>

What are you concerned about?

2. Leaders accept _____.

- Until we _____, we can never be a part of the solution; we are merely a part of the _____.

2 Chronicles 7:14-15

if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land. ¹⁵Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place.

- Leaders don't curse the darkness, they _____ it.

Matthew 5:13-16

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men. ¹⁴You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.

- We are a society full of _____ and devoid of leaders.

What are you taking personal responsibility for?

3. Leaders acknowledge the _____
_____.

- Nehemiah said, "God I'm _____ and you're _____."
- Real prayer is rooted in the _____ of God.
- Prayer is where _____ and _____ are born.
- In prayer we are exposed to the _____ of God and experience the _____ of God.

The Look of a Leader

You can do more than pray after you have prayed, but you can't do more than pray until you have prayed.

James 5:16

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

What great thing are you attempting for God?