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*Colossians 3:12-13*

Introduction: Looking at leaders from the inside out:

1. Leadership is a heart issue.
2. Leadership is giving your heart.
3. Leadership is growing your heart.

**I. Watch out for these heart issues:**

- A. The neglected heart ( Samson )
  1. Dangerous - can't trust
  2. Deceptive - can't believe
  3. Destructive - can't follow
- B. The unexamined heart ( Saul )
  1. Short-sighted - issues of vision . . . --
  2. Short-cuts - issues of action
  3. Short-tempered - issues of attitudes
- C. The undeveloped heart ( Balaam )
  1. Lacks attitude checks
  2. Lacks agenda review
  3. Lacks activity analysis
- D. The growing heart ( David )
  1. Culture - defines the vision
  2. Call - directs the vision
  3. Communion - develops the vision
  4. Character - gives dedication to the vision
  5. Crisis - distinguishes the vision

**II. Leaders are defined by their culture.**

- A. Cultural dynamics
  1. Environment - they lived through
  2. Experiences - they've gone through
  3. Education - they've been through
- B. Moses the deliverer
  1. As an Egyptian he was educated.
  2. As a Hebrew he learned values.
  3. As a leader he was shaped by a Midianite.
- C. David the shepherd and king
  1. Family - sharing/obedience
  2. Shepherd - care/commitment
  3. Samuel - beliefs/values
- D. Paul the missionary

1. Jewish roots – passion
  2. Greek knowledge – logic persuasion
  3. Roman citizenship – view world
- E. My views as a pastor

**III. The call directs you.**

- A. The call gives you destiny and drive.
- B. The call creates boundaries and behavior.
  1. Boundaries can be the people you are to reach, a place you are to go, or a position you are to hold.
  2. Behavior you are to model.
- C. The call inspires conviction and a cause.
- D. The call brings a message and a model.
- E. The call involves timing and tempo.
- F. The call surfaces inadequacy and insufficiency.
- G. The call causes strength and struggle.
- H. The call involves a team and talent.
  1. God doesn't ask you to do something you can do yourself.
  2. The people may not look like what you need when they first show-up.
- I. The call creates dependence and independence.

**IV. Character causes \_\_\_\_\_.**

- C** \_\_\_\_\_ to grow. (Psalms 55:22)
- H** \_\_\_\_\_ examinations are a must. (Psalms 139:22-23)
- A** \_\_\_\_\_ is necessary. (Matthew 8:9)
- R** \_\_\_\_\_ your weaknesses. (2 Corinthians 13:9)
- A** \_\_\_\_\_ your "hot buttons." (Proverbs 16:32)
- C** \_\_\_\_\_ is a part of character. (Joshua 1:5-7)
- T** \_\_\_\_\_ time alone. (1 Corinthians 1:9)
- E** \_\_\_\_\_ your motives regularly. (Psalms.5 1: 10)
- R** \_\_\_\_\_ whenever you sell yourself you never get a refund. (Proverbs 6:27)

**V. Communion \_\_\_\_\_ the leader.**

- A. Communion is where you \_\_\_\_\_ with who you are and what you want to \_\_\_\_\_.
  1. All leaders walk with a \_\_\_\_\_ as they face \_\_\_\_\_ in their own life.
  2. It is here that leaders address the \_\_\_\_\_ traps of leadership.
  3. The difference between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ leaders is their \_\_\_\_\_ to explore heart lessons.
- B. Communion is where you receive the \_\_\_\_\_ to accomplish the call.
  1. \_\_\_\_\_ become \_\_\_\_\_ for God to use.
  2. \_\_\_\_\_ becomes functional \_\_\_\_\_.

- C. Leaders must watch out for \_\_\_\_\_ disease.
1. \_\_\_\_\_ which overwhelms
  2. The \_\_\_\_\_ which paralyzes
  3. \_\_\_\_\_ replaces productivity
- D. Without communion, leaders rely on ministry \_\_\_\_\_.
1. \_\_\_\_\_ instead of \_\_\_\_\_
  2. \_\_\_\_\_ on what worked in the \_\_\_\_\_ instead of being \_\_\_\_\_ by the Spirit.
  3. \_\_\_\_\_ charisma instead of God's \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. The \_\_\_\_\_ of leadership is lost.
- F. Communion brings \_\_\_\_\_
1. Discovery of \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Discovery of \_\_\_\_\_
  3. Discovery of the \_\_\_\_\_
- G. Without \_\_\_\_\_ of communion your soul loses touch with your true \_\_\_\_\_
1. Fight for time \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Fight for time to \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. Fight for time to \_\_\_\_\_

**VI. Crisis \_\_\_\_\_ leaders.**

- A. Leadership is not without \_\_\_\_\_
1. Leaders are known for how they handle the \_\_\_\_\_ times, not the \_\_\_\_\_ times.
  2. Leaders will face \_\_\_\_\_
    - a. Fight \_\_\_\_\_ fights, not \_\_\_\_\_
    - b. Fight God's \_\_\_\_\_
    - c. Fight for \_\_\_\_\_ not \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Develop a \_\_\_\_\_ strategy.
1. Get \_\_\_\_\_ it.()
  2. \_\_\_\_\_ your pain. (\_\_\_\_\_
  3. Examine your \_\_\_\_\_
  4. Look in the \_\_\_\_\_
  5. Get good \_\_\_\_\_.
  6. Be \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  7. \_\_\_\_\_ and let go.
  8. \_\_\_\_\_ what needs to be done.

**SUMMARY:**

Leadership is more than \_\_\_\_\_.

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Leadership is God \_\_\_\_\_