



## LEADERSHIP [PART 1 OF 5]

## LEAD LIKE A PRO

## SCRIPTURAL REFERENCE

1 Timothy 3:1

## ADDITIONAL STUDY

Proverbs 29:2

Matthew 5:13-16

Philippians 2:3-4

## PRAYER POINTS

Pray that God will call out the leader in you and fill you with this 'honorable ambition' for leadership.

Pray that you will be God's man/woman in your sphere of influence to lead sacrificially, shine the light of God in that circle, and add value that will make those you lead better.

*To aspire to leadership is an honorable ambition." - 1 Timothy 3:1 (NEB)*

Christians are called to be leaders because we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world. John Maxwell said, "Everything rises and falls on leadership." When the righteous are in authority (leadership) the people rejoice; because in the place where they lead - businesses, families, associations, nations, etc., will be advanced as a result of their wholesome leadership practices.

Real leaders are in short supply and constantly, people and groups search for them. Throughout the Bible, God searched for leaders too. "The Lord has sought for a man after His own heart and appointed him leader of His people." (1 Samuel 13:14).

When God finds a person who is ready to lead, ready to commit to full discipleship and take on responsibility for others, He uses that person to the limit. In spite of their personal shortcomings, like Moses, Gideon and David, God will still use them.

The world is in need of leaders who are willing to serve their constituents sacrificially, as against leaders who just want to lead for the prestige of the office. We as Christian leaders have been called to lead honorably, for the world out there to emulate. Bill Hybels says, "Everyone wins when a leader gets better." So, when we become better leaders, it is good news to all those connected to us.

Nobody is really a Pro in leadership; we all strive to be better. Today's title is simply to encourage you to strive to be the best in your sphere(s) of influence. Starting from tomorrow, we will be looking at some leadership qualities that will make us better leaders.

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